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SENATE PASSED THE AVERY BILL.

ONLY SEVEN VOTES CAST IN THE NEGATIVE.

THERE WAS HEATED DEBATE.

The Opposition Resorted to the Old Scheme of Amendment, but It Failed.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—The Avery Fellow Servant bill passed the Senate at 12:45 o'clock to-day. Seven negative votes were cast.

Preliminary to the passage of the bill was a heated debate lasting over two hours. Many filibustering tactics were resorted to and a vigorous effort was made to defeat the bill. But the corporation element was clearly in the minority and the ancient, gauzy schemes resorted to in former years by lobby legislators were worn threadbare to-day.

In the beginning of the debate, Senator Brewster made a strong speech in favor of the Avery bill. He said he was here in a legislative capacity and he knew his people wanted the bill.

Senator Busche spoke in favor of a general bill, and offered an amendment such as has helped to defeat fellow servant legislation in the past.

Senator Major made a particularly strong speech in favor of the Avery bill.

Then came Senator Klene with a somewhat radical speech in opposition to the Avery bill. He proposed an amendment somewhat similar to the Busche amendment, both doubtless having the same purpose in view.

Senator Landrum made probably the most rabid lobby talk of all, by declaring that he would under no circumstances vote for the Avery bill, and he was not even enthusiastic over the passage of a general bill. He declared that there is absolutely no demand for fellow-servant legislation.

Senator Miller did good work throughout the spirited fight by holding the Avery bill forces together and keeping a lookout for smooth parliamentary tricks.

A strenuous effort was made by Senators Busche, Mott and Davidson to force adjournment, but the plan failed.

After voting down the amendments a vote on the final passage of the bill was taken, resulting in the enactment of the law by a vote of 20 to 7.

The followng Senators voted against the bill: Klene, Landurm, Martin, Mott, O'Bannon, Schweickhardt and Wells.

Those absent were: Ballard, Gray, Lyons, Marshall, Morton, Powers and Peers.

All the others voted for the bill, including Senator Busche, who had only a few minutes before been leader in the fight against it.

The announcement that a genuine fellow servant bill had actually passed the Senate caused prolonged applause.

NOT THIS SESSION.

Opposition to the General Arbitration Treaty Determined to Shut Off a Vote.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—A special to the Times-Herald from Washington, D. C., says:

The understanding among Senators at present is that the general arbitration treaty will not come to a vote at this session of Congress. No one doubts that it will be debated, but the opposition makes no secret of its intention to consume so much time in discussion that a vote cannot be reached. It will be a very easy matter to do this, as the business of the Senate is fast reaching that stage in which there will be a great struggle for precedence.

Already the friends of the Nicaragua Canal bill, the immigration bill, the bankruptcy bill and other measures are fighting for time. In a short time the regular appropriation bills will have to be taken up and they will displace almost all other business. Under such circumstances it will be a comparatively easy matter to crowd the treaty into the background. The sentiment of the Senate is generally against an open debate on the treaty.

CARLISLE'S PROSPECTS.

Propositions Pending From New York and Chicago.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Secretary Carlisle went to New York last night. While his mission has not been made public, it is believed it is to investigate certain business propositions which have been made to him, looking to his opening a law office in New York after the 4th of March. It is understood that the Secretary prefers to open an office in Louisville, Ky., but his final determination of the matter is not yet certain. It is said inducements also have been held out for him to go to Chicago.

Mr. Carlisle has been retained as leading counsel for Benner and La Follette, who are seeking to get possession of about 160,000 acres of land on the lake front in Chicago. The amount involved is enormous. The land which Benner and La Follette seek to get patented to them for a song is estimated to be worth not less than $16,000,000. It embraces about 160 acres in the business district at the mouth of the Chicago River and immediately north of that stream resting on the lake front. It is platted and thoroughly improved with paved streets and has all the municipal advantages.

TO SUPPRESS GAMBLING.

ORDERS TO THAT EFFECT WERE GENERAL.

THE KANSAS CITY INQUIRY.

Evidence Accumulating That the Commissioners Have Done Their Duty.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—A tremendous mass of evidence is being piled up before the Senate Investigating Committee by members of the Kansas City police force that orders to suppress gambling had always been general; that no gambling faction or any gambler ever had protection and that the orders to suppress were generally carried out to the extent possible.

This morning five members of the detective department were on the stand and testified, even more emphatically than did the regular police officers yesterday, that money or influence had ever been used, and that nobody, gambler or otherwise, had been protected by the department. Many of the sensational stories told by the revengeful ex-officers were exploded completely.

This morning's witnesses were Sergeants of Police John Duerr and Patrick Hoffey and Detectives McBride, Sneed, Hayes, Hayde, Shelby and Halpin. They were direct in their statements that orders to suppress gambling had always been general and that there had been no protection.

Detective Hayes testified that the order given by the late Chief Irwin not to wait for orders, but to break in doors and make a raid whenever gambling was suspected, was understood to come from the commissioners themselves. Some of the charges made by witnesses for the prosecution were convincingly denied. Ex-Sergt. Whitsett, when on the stand, testified that McBride, now a Union Pacific detective, was forced to pay Mary K. Brown $50 to get on the force. To-day McBride gave this the lie direct. "I never had such a conversation with Whitsett," he said, "never. I know him when I see him, but I never talked to him in my life."

Senator Morton explained that no direct evidence had been introduced showing the exaction of money for appointment or retention on the police force, and the point was dropped.

Patrolman Charles Snead, who was believed by Officer McMillan to have been sent out by Chief Irwin to warn the men at Pendergast's of an expected raid, denied the story in whole.

"Ex-Officer McMillan has stated before this committee that you were sent to warn gamblers of an expected raid. Did you at that time or at any time during your service ever do such a thing?" he was asked.

"No, sir," was the emphatic answer.

Detective Hayes also entered strenuous but straightforward denials of some of the statements of ex-officers.

"Did you go in with ex-Detective Cartwright where gambling was in progress in the rear of the old Times building?" he was asked.

"No, sir."

"Did you stay on the outside in the alley while he went in?

"No, sir."

"Have you ever received money from any gambler to protect him?" asked Mr. Lucas.

"No, sir."

"Have you ever notified any gamblers of an expected raid?"

"No, sir."

Ice Company Fails.

CINCINNATI, O., Feb. 4.—The Consolidated Ice and Refrigerator Co. assigned today to Alden S. French, liabilities being estimated at $81,000 and assets at $147,000. Immediate cause was suit by W. P. Callahan & Co. of Dayton to recover $30,000 for merchandise furnished. No preferences were given.

THEY HAVE CUT WAGES AGAIN.

SAMPLE OF RESTORED PROSPERITY BY THE NIEDRINGHAUSES.

THEIR MEN ARE STARVING.

If the Workmen Refuse to Accept the Cut the Sheet Mill Will Close Down Indefinitely.

That beautiful wave of prosperity which the Niedringhauses were so fond of picturing to their employes prior to the election, in case McKinley should be elected, has failed to materialize in the great mills of these millionaires, which once gave a livelihood to so many North St. Louis families.

The wave has been one of depression instead of prosperity, and hundreds of families who have been barely able to keep the wolf from the door in the past have now in prospect an indefinite shut down or such a cut in wages that starvation will be but a little longer postponed.

The employes in the sheet mill at Second and Destrehan streets were informed Tuesday by their superintendent that unless they accepted a reduction of 20 per cent the mill would run no more this winter. The men are in despair. They do not know which way to turn, for there is no hope for them, whether they loaf or work.

During the campaign the Niedringhauses were very active in their endeavors to get their men to support the Republican ticket. Meetings were held every week at the works and the men marched themselves footsore at night, beating drums and blowing horns in anticipation, forced or natural, that good times were coming.

Over and over again it was proclaimed that the sheet mill, which had been closed with the exception of a few days, since last July, would be reopened just as soon as McKinley was elected. Work would be steady and wages raised to the scale sanctioned by the Amalgamated Association.

The election came, and McKinley won. "Confidence" was restored, but the mill did not open. The men hung on, growing hungrier as the days passed, and finally—after Christmas, it was—orders were given to go to work.

They kept at it until Saturday, when once more the mill shut down. Then on Tuesday Supt. Sutter sent for all the employes and gave them his bosses' ultimatum. If they would work for a 20 per cent reduction all well and good. If not there was no work for them.

There being no election affecting the Niedringhauses there was no use even to make any promises. If the men didn't like it they could lump it, and that was all there was to it.

The poor devils are many of them starving, and they are commencing now to realize the absolute emptiness of pre-election promises.

The sheet mill is the last of the Niedringhaus departments to be cut to such an extent. In the tin mill the wages had already been cut 45 per cent below what they were three years ago. A 15 per cent cut was agreed to by the Amalgamated Association and then there came two years ago the 30 per cent cut in all the departments except the sheet mill. That is what precipitated the big strike at that time.

This suggested 20 per cent cut is the first in the sheet mill since the 15 per cent cut agreed to two years ago by the men.

The men have not yet decided what to do. They will probably reach a conclusion some time this week.

An effort was made to secure a statement from the Niedringhauses as to the cause of the cut. At both the mill on Destrehan street and the salesrooms on Cass avenue it was said that Mr. Thomas K. Niedringhaus was the only one who could impart any information on the subject, and his whereabouts was unknown.

Milner's Man to Harrigan's Man: "You Are Not the Only Pebble on the Beach."

MISS CAROLINE B. HENDRICKS.

This young lady is of Indianapolis, a lawyer and the first woman lawyer to plead a case orally before the Supreme Court of that State. Her father was a cousin of the late Vice-President, Thomas A. Hendricks. She has few pleasures outside of her profession. She is fond of music, particularly singing. She is quiet in manner as well as her dress. She is possessed of rather frail physique. One particularly pleasing feature is her low, musical voice, with its gentle cadences. She has brown hair and gray-blue eyes. She is thorough and painstaking in her work. Her manner is earnest and business like, free from all oratorical flight and flowery expressions.

FOUR MEN KILLED.

Work of Raiders on an Indian Agency and the Victims Include Gen. Thomas.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Feb. 4.—It is reported from Shawnee that an attempt to raid the Sac and Fox Indian Agency was made yesterday. Three men are reported killed in a battle, and it is said that Gen. Thomas, the Government agent, was later murdered by the raiders. No particulars or confirmation of the story can be obtained.

PLAGUE AND FAMINE.

Indians Are Gorging Themselves on the Carcasses of Cattle.

BOMBAY, Feb. 4.—According to the official returns there have been to date 5,000 cases of the plague and 3,841 deaths.

The better classes are beginning to feel the pinch of the famine. Many are selling furniture and ornaments at ruinous prices, and the prevailing distress is terribly keen. In the Deccan district even farmers are applying to the Government for aid. People of the lower caste, it is asserted, are at the present time living on the "fat of the land." The explanation is made that they are gorging themselves upon the carcasses of cattle, which are dying by the thousands.

PARIS, Feb. 4.—President Faure visited the Pasteur laboratory, near Paris, and witnessed experiments with fifteen horses, which had been inoculated in order to produce anti-plague serum.

BURIAL PERMITS.

The following deaths have been reported in the city during the twenty-four hours ending at noon:

CHARLES BAYHA, 71, 1715 Michigan; cerebral apoplexy.

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CAUGHT HOLD OF A LIVE WIRE.

FRED PARTNER, A DRIVER, INSTANTLY KILLED.

IT DANGLED IN HIS FACE.

He Brushed It Away, Was Shocked and Fell Across the Death-Dealing Loop.

Fred Partner, aged 20, a driver for the P. A. Hageman Grocer Co., was instantly killed by a live wire in front of the F. A. Krenning commission house, 816 North Third street.

Partner had backed his wagon up to the sidewalk and was preparing to take on some goods when a wire hanging perpendicularly from the broad wooden awning over the sidewalk got in his way.

He put out his left hand to brush the wire aside when the current strck him with full force and knocked him over a coop full of live chickens.

He lay on the coop for some minutes, with the wire burning and sizzling in his tightly clenched hands. Several persons who first observed him thought he was a drunken man with a lighted cigar or cigarette in his hand.

Finally a pedestrian happened along who realized the situation. Throwing the flap of his overcoat back over his hand he took hold of the wire with it and pulled it out of the young man's hand.

He was immediately carried into Krenning's commission house, but before anything could be done to relieve him, he was dead.

The only evidence on his person of how he met his death is a streak of burned flesh, half an inch wide, across the palm of his left hand. The dead boy lived on Dodier street, near Twenty-third.

The wire was pulled down later by a lineman, who had on a pair of rubber gloves.

Traffic on Third street was stopped for half an hour by a curious throng of teamsters, who got their wagons jammed together at that point.

DOWN SHE GOES.

Bank of England Rate Now Three Per Cent.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—The Bank of England has reduced its rate of discount from 3½ per cent to 3 per cent.

BRAVE MRS. MUNN.

Carried Her Suffering Husband Half a Mile for Help.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

GUTHRIE, O. T., Feb. 4.—Near Cushing the home of Robert Munn was burned with most of its contents in the night. While trying to save some articles Munn was fatally burned, and his wife, in her night dress and barefooted, carried him a half-mile to a neighbor's for help.

THE WEATHER FORECAST.

SNOW.

The Weather Bureau forecasts are as follows:

For St. Louis and vicinity—Snow Thursday afternoon and night. Friday generally fair. Little change in temperature.

Missouri—Heavy snow Thursday afternoon and night; colder Thursday night. Friday partly cloudy; colder in east portion.

Illinois—Snow Thursday night and Friday. Probably colder in Southern portion Thursday night.

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SNOW IN THE SOUTHWEST.

In Some Places It Is the Heaviest Known in Years.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—Star specials indicate that a heavy snowstorm, in some places the most severe in years, has prevailed in the Southwest since yesterday. The deepest snow for three years covers the ground in Central Missouri, and Wichita, Kan., reports five inches on the level, with street cars tied up. Trains, particularly in Kansas, are delayed, but not seriously. At Guthrie, O. T., and vicinity the heaviest rainstorm of years has been in progress since last night.

SAW THE GHOST OF A GIANT.

LARS TOLFERSEN'S SPECTER HAUNTS A POLICE COURT.

MARSHAL ERB'S QUEER STORY.

The Ghost Pounced Upon the Police Court Janitor and Had Him Down When Erb Appeared.

Chief Marshal Hnery Erb of the Second District Police Court, who has a reputation among the other court officials of being a truthful man, related the following incident to a Post-Dispatch reporter, Thursday morning. The story is reproduced in his exact language.

"I usually get through my work, lock up the court-room and go home at 5 o'clock in the evening," Mr. Erb began, "but I had some extra work to do last night and stayed later. I was in my office at the east end of the building, making out reports, and the janitor, Frank Wilcox, was in the prisoners' cage at the opposite end of the building, fixing kindling and coal in the stove ready to start a fire in the morning.

"About 6 o'clock I heard screams coming from the prisoners' cage. The screams continued and grew louder. In a moment I recognized Wilcox's voice. I supposed some accident had happened to him and ran into the prisoners' cage.

"He was lying on his back, with a bucket of coal on his left arm and yelling at the top of his voice. Standing at his side, with its right foot planted on his chest, its arms stretched over his body and its face looking square into his face, was a giant ghost.

"The instant I saw it I recognized that it was the ghost of Lars Tolfersen, the Norwegian giant who was murdered in this building during a tough dance in 1879. The building was then known as Mozart Hall and was a great place for toughs to have balls. Tolfersen was on exhibition in a museum at Third and Vine streets during the day and always attended the dances at night.

"I was only a boy then, but I came to the hall several times to see the giant. He was killed in a row one night.

"I will never forget Tolfersen, and the moment I saw the ghost I recognized it. It paid no attention to me, not even turning its head. Wilcox didn't recognize me and his voice was growing weaker.

"I grabbed hold of his feet and pulled with all my might, but I couldn't move him. Then I spoke to him. As I spoke the ghost trembled. I noticed it and spoke again and again the ghost trembled. Then I commenced to yell and kept it up. The ghost trembled continuously by this time.

"In a few seconds it took its foot off the janitor's chest, dropped its arms to its side and turned around, turning with its back toward me. It walked toward the south wall and stopped within a few feet of a window that is protected on the outside by iron bars.

"In another second it assumed the appearance of a long, white snake and whizzed through the window. I heard the bars rattle as it went through. Just outside of the window it was again the ghost of Lors Tolfersen. It made a roaring noise as it flashed out of view.

"All this occupied but a few seconds and then I turned to the janitor. He was unconscious and laying where the ghost had left him. I picked him up and carried him back into the toilet room. I applied cold water to his forehead and afterwards sponged him off. He recovered consciousness after a while. Then he got a restorative at a near-by pharmacy and went home.

"After Wilcox recovered he told me how it happened. He said he was at work at the stove when the ghost came up behind him. It put its arms on his shoulders and he looked around. As he did so, he dropped to the floor. After that he thought he was climbing a mast on a war boat. Wilcox used to be a sailor and his old experiences came back to him while he was unconscious.

"Every night that I am detained here as late as 6 o'clock I hear peculiar noises and I have no doubt that the Norwegian giant haunts this building."

IN BROAD DAYLIGHT.

Thieves Rob a Crowded Kansas City Pool-Room of $1,380.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—The cashier's drawer in the Biller-Oldham pool room at 802 Walnut street was robbed of $1,380 in currency at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The robbery, for boldness and adroitness, has not been surpassed in Kansas City in years. The room was crowded, a clerk was seated close to the cash drawer, and if he had known that the thief was operating he would have been able to have reached out his hand and capture him. The preliminary work necessary was done presumably during Tuesday night. A piece of wood was sawed out in the position in front of the cashier so the opening gave access to the rear end of the cash drawer; then the wood was replaced and the piece neatly puttied in. Yesterday afternoon, when the drawer was bulging with cash, the thief, mingling with the throng, crowded up to the desk, pushed the sawed pieces aside, inserted his hand and the cash was his.

When "Doc" Frame, the cashier, opened the drawer to pay off the losses in the second race at San Francisco he was astonished to find that $1,000 in bills, put in the drawer a short time before, was missing, and also $380 in coin and bills.

Several people who were near the cashier's window at the time informed Mr. Oldham later that they noticed three men crowd forward, but they thought little of it, believing that they had tickets. One of the men, who is described as being short, was in the middle, and undoubtedly secured the money, while the others stood about and acted as "stalls," shielding his hands by their presence.

SENATOR HARRIS SINKING.

Suffering Greatly Since the Operation on His Eye.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—Senator Harris of Tennessee, who has been ill at his residence in this city for the past week or ten days, is to-day worse than he has been recently, and his friends are alarmed over his condition. It became necessary last night for him to have a surgical operation performed on one of his eyes. He slept poorly afterwards and this morning was in a quite unsatisfactory condition. He was in much pain and did not seem to be himself mentally. He is suffering from an aggravated attack of grip, and his advanced age, it renders him more susceptible than a young man.

CHEAP FARES FOR WORKINGMEN.

MR. DUNN'S BILL GETS A FAVORABLE REPORT.

MR. REGAN SHOWS HIS HAND.

Argued for the Street Railroads Against the Bill, but Got Only His Own Vote.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—Indications are now favorable for the enactment of the Dunn bill providing for a reduction of street car fares in St. Louis during certain hours of the day.

At a meeting of the House Committee on Internal Improvements, held last night, it was decided to make a favorable report on the bill and as there is a general preponderance of sentiment in favor of it, there appears to be but little doubt that the measure will pass the House easily, with a fair chance of passage in the Senate. However, there is considerable opposition to it, and as the opposition is working in a quiet way its tactics are not easily comprehended at all times.

Representative Regan of St. Louis put himself on record at the committee meeting last night as being heartily opposed to the Dunn bill. In fact, from the actions of Mr. Regan in the committee it appears that he has more than a passing interest in the welfare of the St. Louis street railways.

As told in the Post-Dispatch at the time of its introduction the Dunn bill provides that 3 cents shall be the maximum amount of fare to be charged street car passengers between the hours of 6 and 8 o'clock in the morning and between the hours of 6 and 8 in the evening. Throughout the other part of the day the fare remains unchanged. For violation of this act a penalty of not less than $10 nor more than $100 is provided.

Mr. Dunn, who is a St. Louis legislator, says that he knows from personal observation, the urgent necessity of the enactment of just such a law as he proposes. His idea, so he says, is to favor the working class of people with the reduction in fares. The hours specified in his bill cover the time when the laboring class of people ride to and from their homes, and that is his reason for stipulating such portion of the day for the 3-cent fare to be in effect.

Representative Dunn appeared before the committee having his bill under consideration and made a strong speech in support of it. He dwelt at length upon the saving it would be to the poorer class, many of whom live so far from their place of employment that they are compelled to patronize the street cars at least twice a day.

Representative Regan, who is a member of the Committee on Internal Improvements, talked very industriously throughout the hearing of the Dunn bill. While Mr. Dunn was attempting to explain the merits of his proposition, Mr. Regan plied him with questions relative to the financial condition of various St. Louis street railways, and it was very evident that it was his purpose to draw the author of the bill away from the main issue. Mr. Dunn answered all of his questions politely, but he finally grew weary of such frequent interruption, and turning to Mr. Regan, he said:

"I came before this committee to-night to bring out a point that pertains directly to the subject under discussion, and I want to say to you that I am determined to do it."

The majority of the committee was inclined to concur in the expression made by Mr. Dunn, and he was allowed to proceed without further interruption from Mr. Regan. As Mr. Dunn proceeded with his argument he appeared to gain inspiration, and he said many pointed things about the way the street railways in St. Louis manipulate men and things. In short Mr. Dunn charged that the street railways control one branch of the St. Louis Municipal Assembly.

"We can get no legislation on this question there," exclaimed Mr. Dunn, "so we are compelled to invoke the aid of the State Legislature."

It was very evident at the close of Mr. Dunn's argument that the sympathy of the majority of the committee was with him, and that a favorable report would be agreed upon. At the close of the hearing, the committee went into executive session. Newspaper correspondents and other spectators retired from the committee room, but the rich, deep voice of Statesman Regan could be heard far on the outside proclaiming his objection to the bill. He thought the street railways were having hard enough time anyway, and he looked with marked disfavor upon any proposition tending to increase their burden. He called attention to the fact that it is possible to ride over twenty miles on a street car in St. Louis for one fare, and he declares that any man ought to be willing to pay 5 cents for such a privilege.

But the committee could not see the question as Mr. Regan did, and as soon as there came a lull in his flow of language, a vote was taken, resulting in a decision favorable to the bill, Mr. Regan casting the only negative vote.

Dr. O. H. Wilson of the St. Louis delegation is also a member of the committee to which the Dunn bill was referred. Dr. Wilson expressed himself to the Post-Dispatch correspondent as being heartily in favor of it. In the absence of Chairman Lee, Representative Alldredge, the Populist member from Moniteau County, presided, and it may be truthfully stated that when any corporation, or rather anti-corporation, legislation is under consideration Mr. Alldredge makes a very good presiding officer. Judging from his actions last night, it cannot be charged that Mr. Alldredge is unfair to the corporations, but he is not the man to give them any undue advantage when he is acting as chairman of the committee. To use a typical Missouri phrase, Mr. Alldredge is "sot in his way," and his path leads directly opposite to that of the big corporations.

No street railway lobbyists were present at the meeting last night.

Of course, a favorable committee report does not necessarily indicate that the bill is going to become a law, yet in this instance it seems that the committee decision reflects the sentiment of the majority of the House members. One thing is certain, the Dunn bill is going to attract a vast amount of attention, and if it passes the House, as it is believed it will, the Senate will be so closely watched that there will be a strong probability of the measure running the gantlet there in safety.

A bill was introduced by Representative King in the House licensing owners or operators of "shanty boats." It is aimed at immoral traffic on the Mississippi and Ohio Rivers.

Both branches adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

ANTI-FLIRTATION BILL.

Conductors and Brakemen Must Stop Their Nonsense.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—Railroad conductors and brakemen who run on passenger trains will be amused when they learn that a bill has been introduced in the Missouri Legislature, having for its object the abrupt termination of flirting with female passengers.

This is exactly what happened in the House of Representatives yesterday. The bill is interesting because it is an oddity in the way of legislation. It is a generally admitted fact that the conductors and brakemen running on passenger trains in Missouri are a handsome, rotund and engaging set of fellows, but heretofore there has been no general complaint of their disposition to bestow their attention upon womankind when engaged in the discharge of their duty.

But evidently some rural lassie, some elderly matron or perhaps a maiden of uncertain age has a grievance, for Representative Hood has introduced the bill mentioned in the foregoing. On the cover of the bill is the information that it was introduced by request, all of which confirms the suspicion that somebody has "a kick"—to borrow from the vernacular of the street.

A verbatim copy of the bill follows:

Section 1. It is hereby made unlawful for any railroad employe to seat himself beside any female passenger upon any railroad passenger coach within this State, or to draw, or attempt to draw, into conversation any such female passenger further than may be necessary by conductors or collectors of fares in giving such information as may be requested, and such directions as may be necessary to conduct such female passenger safely to her destination.

Sec. 2. It shall be the duty of every corporation, company or person owning or operating any railroad or branch thereof in this State to require of employes of any such railroad a strict compliance with the provisions of this act, and to post a copy of this act in each and every passenger coach running on such railroad and to duly enforce the same.

Sec. 3. Any failure to comply with the provisions of this act by any corporation, company or person owning or operating a railroad in this State shall be punished by a fine of $25 for every violation, to be paid by the corporation, company or person owning the railroad, to be sent for by the Prosecuting or Circuit Attorney of the proper circuit within thirty days after such penalty was incurred, and half thereof to go to the informer and the other half to the county.

Sec. 4. Inasmuch as there is no existing law prohibiting the offense hereby created, and, in consequence, great injury is being done to character and reputation of female passengers in public conveyances; therefore, an emergency exists as contemplated by the constitution, and this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

It will be observed that the foregoing bill does not specify any particular department of the train service, but it is presumed to have reference to conductors and brakemen. It is hardly probable that the oil-begrimed engineer would let go of his throttle and betake himself to the chair car or Pullman for the purpose of toying with the affections of any of the female passengers, and it would be equally strange if the faithful fireman should be so unmindful of duty, therefore it is patent that the conductor and brakemen are the fellows who are being legislated against. It is taken for granted that the colored porter was not even thought of when this important piece of legislation was undergoing the incubating process, for it is a well established fact that the porter is kept busy looking for tips, even if his color did not stand against him, and has no time for flirting.

Considering this bill from a serious standpoint many objections are urged against it. In the first place, railroad men, as a rule, are gentlemenly enough not to overstep the bounds of propriety in their conduct toward women passengers, and, secondly, it is argued that the enactment of such a measure would give evil designing women an excellent opportunity to levy blackmail. It is doubtful if Mr. Hood, who introduced the bill, really cares to secure its passage. He introduced it by request, and that will probably end the matter. Nobody believes that the bill will ever proceed through the legislative mill far enough to be engrossed.

In this connection it is interesting to note that there are several unique bills pending in the House. For instance, an act to compel the dehorning of all bulls who arrive at the age of two years; an act making it a misdemeanor to spit tobacco on the floor of any church or school-house.

PROBATION BILL.

Text of Piper's Bill in the Interest of Ex-Convicts.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4—Following is Representative Piper's probation bill in full:

Sec. 1. The judges of each criminal court, criminal court of correction and municipal police court, in all cities of the State having 50,000 inhabitants or more, and the judges of the criminal courts or circuit courts having criminal jurisdiction in each county in this State, shall appoint one or more persons to perform the duty of probation officers as hereinafter named under the jurisdiction of said court. Such court may appoint such assistants, either male or female, not exceeding three, to said probation officer, as are needed to carry out the purposes of this act. Each probation officer appointed as herein provided shall hold his office during the pleasure of the court making such appointments.

Sec. 2. Said probation officers shall not be active members of the regular police force in cities or counties, but shall in the execution of their official duties have all the power of police officers. The records of any of said probation officers may at all times be inspected by the chief of police, the judge or justice appointing said officers or by the city marshal of any city or town or by the police board.

Sec. 3. Each probation officer shall inquire into the nature of every criminal case brought before the court under whose jurisdiction he acts and may recommend that any person convicted by said court be placed upon probation. The court may place the person so convicted in the charge of said probation officer for such time and upon such conditions as may seem proper.

Sec. 4. It shall be the duty of the female assistant probation officer to investigate the cases of all women against whom a criminal charge is brought in said court and to perform such other duties as may be required of her by the judges or justice of said court.

Sec. 5. Every person released from probation, as aforesaid, shall be furnished by the probation officer with a written statement of the terms and conditions of his release. Each probation officer shall keep full records of all cases investigated by him, of all cases placed in his care by the court and of any other duties performed by him or his assistant under this act.

Sec. 6. The clerk of such court named in this act after the judge thereof appoints said probation officers shall forthwith notify the commissioners, warden or superintendent of all prisons in this State of the name and address of the officer or officers so appointed. Each probation officer shall make a quarterly report to the commissioners, warden or superintendent of the different prisons in the State in such form as said commissioners, warden or superintendent may direct.

Sec. 7. The compensation of said probation officers shall be determined by the judge or justice of the court under whose jurisdiction he acts, subject to the approval of the county commissioners of the county in which the court is located. If said court be not located in a county then said appointments shall be subject to approval by the city council of the city in which said court shall be located, and said officers shall be paid by vouchers approved by the judge or justice having criminal jurisdiction, who appointed such probation officer, out of such funds as are usually provided for criminal costs.

Sec. 8 It shall be the duty of the superintendent or warden of any prison whenever a person is released, either on account of expiration of his sentence or pardon, to furnish to said person or persons a correct printed list of the names and residence of each and every probation officer in the State, so that they may avail themselves of the advice and protection of such probation officers, and it shall be the duty of such probation officers, in conjunction with his other duties, to assist the said released prisoners to secure employment, to counsel and advise them as to the best course to pursue in establishing their good citizenship.

Sec. 9. A probation officer may, with the consent of the court under which he is appointed, investigate the case of any person imprisoned in a jail, house of correction or house of detention in any city (having 50,000 inhabitants or over) for any offense other than felony.

Sec. 10. Any probation officer who refuses or neglects to make returns to the court under which he acts or to perform any of the duties required of him by this act shall upon conviction in said court forfeit $100 for the use of the State for school purposes.

Sec. 11. Nothing in this act shall be so construed as to interfere with any of the duties required of the board of lunacy and charity under the provisions of the statutes relating to juvenil offenders.

Sec. 12. It shall be the duty of said cities and counties directly on the passage of this act to provide suitable quarters for said probation officers.

Sec. 13 All acts or parts of acts inconsistent with this act are hereby repealed.

DOCTORS AT WAR.

Dr. Lutz and Dr. Hildreth Grow Warm Over Osteopathy.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—A scene bordering closely upon the sensational was enacted at a meeting of the Senate Committee on Eleemosynary Institutions and Public Health yesterday afternoon. The purpose of the committee meeting was to consider a bill providing for recognition of that peculiar school of medicine known as osteopathy.

Dr. Hildreth of Kirksville appeared before the committee to argue in favor of osteopathy, and Dr. F. J. Lutz of St. Louis, President of the State Board of Health, was also present.

As a regular physician, Dr. Lutz called attention to several alleged blow holes in the osteopathy theory. In fact, he declared that there was absolutely nothing to the strange doctrine. Dr. Hildreth took issue with him, and for a few minutes there was a wordy war between the two medical gentlemen. The war finally grew so warm that the real object of the committee meeting was lost sight of, and the committee adjourned in a rather abrupt manner without having taken any action. It is believed that but for the hasty adjournment of the committee Dr. Lutz and the osteopathy promoter would have become seriously personal in their remarks.

SCHOOL BOARD BILLS.

Measures Fathered by Senator Goodykoontz and Mr. McPherson.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—Of the making of St. Louis School Board bills there is no end. Senator Goodykoontz has introduced a new one in the Senate, and Representative McPherson a new one in the House. Both were introduced by request.

Senator Goodykoontz's bill provides for the election of nine directors at large, three to be elected every two years. The salary of directors is fixed at $3,000 per annum. The Circuit Court is given a great deal of power in judging of the qualifications and elections of directors. The bill is simply a modification of the present law, by which the St. Louis School Board is regulated.

Representative McPherson's bill is a single tax product, or at least it appears so. It differs from the Civic Federation bill only in the fact that the directors are to be chosen by the proportional representation plan.

EX-GOV. STONE.

He Visits the Capital and His Health Has Improved.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—Ex-Governor William J. Stone arrived in Jefferson City at noon yesterday from St. Louis and will remain a few days. To the Post-Dispatch correspondent Gov. Stone expressed himself as feeling somewhat improved in health, although he has not yet regained his old-time vigor. During his term of office Gov. Stone was a very hard worker, and his official duties, added to the heroic work for the silver cause, and Democracy during the last campaign, placed him in such condition that he needs rest.

THE HOUSE.

Bills of Interest to Sleeping Car and Express Companies.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—Representative Wilson of St. Louis introduced a bill to compel sleeping car companies to pay a license for the privilege of operating in this State; also a bill making a 25 per cent reduction in upper berths.

Mr. Ellis of Vernon County introduced in the House a bill making express companies common carriers and to subject them to the jurisdiction of the Railroad Commissioners.

RAILROAD COMMISSION.

A Resolution Looking to an Investigation.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—A resolution was introduced in the House today by Representative Burks providing for an investigation of the Railroad and Warehouse Commissioners, on the theory that they have not fully exercised their power in the reduction of railroad rates. The resolution was adopted.

Anti-Trust Bills.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—The pair of anti-trust bills now pending in the House, introduced by Representatives Collier and Dyer, promise to attract considerable attention. Except as to a few details, the two bills are very similar.

Horseshoers' Bill.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—The bill providing for the creation of a State Board of Examining horseshoers was considered by the Senate Committee of Labor, Mines and Manufactures yesterday afternoon, but no decision was reached. This bill is essentially a St. Louis measure, although by the terms of the bill it applies to other cities.

Third House Organized.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—The clerks and other employes of the House and Senate met in the hall of the House of Representatives last night and effected an organization of what is commonly known as the "Third House." The object of this organization is amusement and training in parliamentary tactics. Lieut. Gov. Bolte presided at the organization.

Now, Will You Be Good?

Special to The Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—A bill has been introduced in the House making it a felony punishable by a penitentiary sentence of five years for a married man to be found guilty of matrimonial infidelity under any circumstances whatever.

Governor Visits Fulton.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—Gov. Stephens was at Fulton yesterday. While there the Governor inspected the Insane Asylum and other State institutions in an informal way.

No use to deny the fact that Salvation Oil is fast taking the place of all other liniments.

JURY COULD NOT AGREE.

Case of Wm. Schulte Against the Quincy Railway Company.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 4.—After being out since Monday morning, the jury in the $15,000 damage suit of William Schulte of St. Louis against the Quincy (Ill.) Street Railway Co., in the United States Court here, to-day announced their inability to agree and were discharged, and the case was continued to the next term of court.

This is the third time the case has been tried, at an expense of double the amount claimed by the plaintiff. Schulte was thrown from a street car in Quincy in 1892, when on a St. Louis drummers' excursion, and had one leg mangled. He secured a $6,000 verdict once and there was a hung jury the second time.

DESPERADO CAPTURED.

He Killed Two Men and Made a Constable Tend Bar.

STOCKTON, Cal., Feb. 4.—After a desperate struggle Sheriff Cunningham and posse arrested Charles Kleupfer, who murdered Charles Dodge and Alexander Borland in cold blood at New Hope. After killing his victims because they led him from a saloon where he had been creating a disturbance, Kleupfer held up the arresting constable, forcing the officer to tend bar for him until the Sheriff arrived. Even then it required the constant efforts of four men to hold him.

Steamship Movements.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Arrived: Majestic, Liverpool.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 4.—Arrived: Westland, Philadelphia.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—Arrived: Mohawk, New York.

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HANNA'S HOPES ARE BLIGHTED.

BUSHNELL WILL NOT APPOINT HIM SENATOR.

ASA W. JONES IS THE MAN.

Bushnell Wants the Long Term Himself and the Hanna-Foraker War Goes On.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 4.—Careful inquiry by a representative of the Associated Press among the more intimate friends and political advisers of Mr. M. A. Hanna today developed the fact that there is good ground for the reports which have been in circulation during the past few days to the effect that the National Chairman will not be appointed to fill the place of Senator John Sherman in the United State Senate.

In fact, it can be stated on unquestionable authority that Mr. Hanna has practically abandoned all hope of securing the appointment. A gentleman who stands as close to Mr. Hanna as any person in Cleveland said to-day that there was now no doubt that Gov. Bushnell would appoint Lieutenant-Governor Asa W. Jones to fill the unexpired term of Senator Sherman and that at the next session of the Legislature, which convenes in January, 1898, Gov. Bushnell would himself be a candidate for the full term. It is further stated on the same authority that the Lieutenant-Governor has agreed not to be a candidate for the full term in opposition to Bushnell and the fight will then be between Bushnell and Hanna.

The gentleman who gave this information, and whose knowledge on the subject cannot be doubted, said that the fight between Mr. Hanna and Senator Foraker would now be carried on to the bitter end, and would, he said, not be by any means confined to State politics.

The report that Mr. Hanna is being strongly urged to accept the Postmaster-Generalship in President McKinley's Cabinet, is also verified, but thus far, it is stated, he has steadily declined to enter the Cabinet in any capacity.

Libel Case Continued.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 4.—When the libel cases of State Senators Magee and Flinn against the Commercial-Gazette and Press of this city were called in the Criminal Court this afternoon, Attorney Patterson, for the defense, asked for a continuance on account of illness. The deposition of National Chairman M. A. Hanna, who was present as a witness, was then taken and the continuance granted.

ANTI-TIPPLE.

Morrill Stirs Up the Senate by Trying to Stop Liquor Selling in the Capitol.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The Senate today had a lively debate over an effort by Mr. Morrill of Vermont to pass a bill prohibiting the sale of intoxicants in the Capitol Building. Mr. Hill moved to commit the bill to the Rules Committee and, in a sharp speech, criticized "the busy bodies" who were maligning Congress by asserting that saloons existed in the Capitol and denounced attempts to interfere with personal liberty. His motion failed by 27 to 30, and then he talked against time until 2 o'clock when, under the rules, the Nicaraguan Canal bill was taken up again.

The Senate by 35 to 15 has adopted a motion to take up the conference report on the immigration bill. It is claimed this displaces the Nicaragua canal bill, which had occupied the right of way.

BANKRUPTCY BILL.

Western Pressure Brought to Bear in Its Favor.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The Senators from Missouri, Kansas and Illinois are receiving large batches of petitions daily urging the bankruptcy bill. The sentiment of these States appears to be almost unanimous in favor of the bill.

Treasury Reserve.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—To-day's statement of the condition of the Treasury shows: Available cash balance, $215,966,098; gold reserve, $145,144,983.

HAND-MADE SILK LACE.

A Beautiful Fabric Being Made Cheaply in China.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—United States Consul Fowler at Chee Foo, China, has supplied the State Department with a number of samples of beautiful hand-made silk lace made at that place. The industry is comparatively a new one and the report sets out some facts of interest about the product—which is said to be not only of the best quality, but also of remarkable cheapness. The latter is made possible by the fact that the Chinese female lace makers' wage is but 10 cents per day. There is a reference also to magnificent silk embroideries made at Ning-Po under the direction of Sisters of Charity upon the latest Parisian patterns and also sold at a very low figure.

Busy Bee Bargain Day To-Morrow.
New England Butter Taffy, 10c a pound.

MRS. HIGGINS DROPPED DEAD.

Came Here From Her Illinois Home to Nurse a Sick Relative.

Mrs. Henrietta Higgins, 49 years of age, dropped dead of heart disease at 1904 Franklin avenue Thursday morning.

Mrs. Higgins was apparently well Wednesday night and chatted cheerfully with her friends and relations on matters entirely foreign to her illness. She was taken ill suddenly Thursday morning and died within an hour.

Her husband, Monroe Higgins, lives at Staunton, Ill. She came to St. Louis to nurse her niece, Mrs. Parker, who has been ill for some time.

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ALL DEMOCRATS SHOULD BE THERE.

BIG MASS MEETING SATURDAY NIGHT AT MUSIC HALL.

IMPORTANT TO THE PARTY.

Prominent Speakers Will Discuss the Issues of the Spring Election Campaign.

All loyal Democrats who desire to aid the Democratic party in winning a grand victory in the spring campaign should join the hosts that will attend the mass meeting of Democratic clubs at Exposition Music Hall next Saturday evening.

This meeting is one where the plain people are cordially welcome to come and discuss the issues that most interest them in these days of despotic trusts and infamous monopolies.

The man who earns his bread by the sweat of his brow will find genuine sympathy in this gathering of the Democratic hosts.

After all, it is the plain people who cast the great vote in this city, and they are expected to turn out by the thousands and hear the issues of the coming city campaign discussed at the meeting.

Among the topics of absorbing interest to taxpayers, to be discussed at this meeting will be the street railways and other corporations who receive franchises and public privileges from the city. There is now a fair understanding that the people have been cheated out of millions of dollars due the city for these franchises, because the money has been left in private hands. The system must be changed, if the sentiment of a large number of the people be respected.

Also the tax-dodgers, those sly people who slide through life like eels, will be discussed in plain terms at this mass meeting.

The question of street car fares will be dealt with from a common sense view, and not from the view of the magnate whose only desire is to reap rich profits.

Labor Commissioner Lee Meriwether, in his official report, has opened the eyes of the people by showing that the street railways of St. Louis pay taxes on only $4,000,000, although the companies earn big dividends on $38,000,000. Instead of paying the city a million and a quarter of dollars a year for their use of the city's streets, the street railways pay almost nothing. This question will be thoroughly discussed at Saturday night's mass meeting.

It is expected that ex-Gov. Stone will deliver an interesting address on "Patriotic Politics." Rev. Frank G. Tyrrell, Sterling P. Bond, Frank M. Estes, Lee Meriwether and other speakers will be present.

The Jefferson Glee Club and several drum and fife corps will attend. Democracy is to be aroused and prepared for action in the spring campaign.

JUVENILE RAIDERS.

Camp in the Railroad Yard Broken Up by the Police.

Martin McManus, Thomas Birmingham and William Fitzgerald, three bad boys, read several volumes of a dime novel, then left their homes and established a camp in the railroad yards between Jefferson and Ewing avenues.

They fell in the habit of stealing bread boxes from in front of grocery stores and milk cans from baggage cars. Then the police arrested them and Judge Peabody fined McManus $100 and the others $30 each.

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Matters Being Considered by the Supreme Tribunal.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 4.—Supreme Tribunal, Knights of Pythias, convened in this city to-day. The tribunal consists of five members, as follows: George F. Zeay, Dallas, Tex., who is Chief Tribune; John H. Alexander, Leesburg, Va.; Edward A. Graham, Montgomery, Ala.; Benjamin T. Chase, Lewiston, Me., and Frank H. Clark, Cheyenne, Wyo.

The matter before the tribunal, involving the new ritual of the uniform rank of the order presented at the convention of the Supreme Lodge at Cleveland last summer, was considered. The question of whether or not the ritual was legally adopted is involved. The case will occupy a considerable part of the tribunal's time and final disposition is not expected for a day or two.

Music Professor's Suicide.

HAVANA, Feb. 4.—James W. Luckenville from Shalenville, Pa., committed suicide by shooting this morning at the Hotel Saratoga. He was a professor of music. He left a letter to his mother and a request that the document be handed to Consul-General Lee.

John Killgallon Dead.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Feb. 4.—John C. Killgallon, Secretary of the Almagamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers, died this morning of consumption.

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All our 25c and 35c Tecks, Four-in-Hands and Bows, to be closed out Friday, each 10c

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Children's Tan, Black and Colored Cotton Hose, all sizes, stock-taking odds and ends sold at 7½c and 10c, Friday choice at, per pair 3½c

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Fine French Coney Muffs, satin lined, worth $1.00, each 25c
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NASSAU—Reached by Steamships from Miami.

Send to the General Offices, St. Augustine, for souvenir folders of the East Coast.

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General Superintendent, Florida East Coast Hotel System.

Lamoureaux to Resign.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 4.—Judge S. W. Lamoureaux of Wisconsin, Commissioner of the General Land Office, in an interview states that he will on the 4th of March send in his resignation to President McKinley. He said that he had already sent his family his horses and all his personal effects to his home in Wisconsin and that he expected to follow them about March 10.

DEATHS.

MYERS—Suddenly, on Thursday, Feb. 4, 1897, Mrs. Sarah J. Myers (nee Lewis).

Funeral Friday, Feb. 5, at 2:30 p. m., from Church of the Redeemer, Pine street, between Garrison and Cardinal avenues. Interment private.

LYNCH—On Thursday, February 4, 1897, at 8:30 o'clock a. m., Alice Lynch, daughter of the late Patrick Lynch, age 17 years, 5 months.

The funeral will take place Saturday, February 6, at 2 o'clock p. m., from family residence, 4[illegible] Garfield avenue, to Visitation Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends are invited to attend.

MAHON—Wednesday, Feb. 3, Edward I. Mahon, beloved son of Miles and Bridget Mahon, aged 21 years.

Funeral from family residence, 1116 North Nineteenth street, Friday, 5th, at 9 a. m., to St. Leo's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery. Friends invited to attend.

O'TOOLE—On Wednesday, Feb. 3, 1897, at 4:20 p. m., John O'Toole, beloved husband of Jane O'Toole (nee McVey), and father of James, John, Jr., William, Joseph, Louis and Francis O'Toole, Mrs. John Donnelly and Mrs. Joseph Mitchell.

The funeral will take place Saturday, 6th inst., at 9 o'clock a. m., from family residence, 1[illegible] North Fourteenth street, to St. Lawrence O'Toole's Church, thence to Calvary Cemetery.

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CHARITY BALL TO BE A MASQUE.

A "BRADLEY MARTIN" FOR THE POOR OF ST. LOUIS.

WILL BE AT UNION STATION.

Funds Raised Will Be Utilized to Give the Unemployed Work on the Street.

Wherever two or three women were gathered together last night the proposed charity ball was the subject of discussion.

The idea has caught society with a furore. It is a novelty and a rarity in local social life. The ladies want it and it's pretty safe to say that their wishes will be respected.

President Julius S. Walsh has offered the entire second floor of the new Union Station to the ladies who are promoting the enterprise. This will afford an immense dining-hall at one end, a magnificent suite of reception rooms at the other and midway—the grandest ball-room that ever held a St. Louis society gathering.

Besides the balconies are at the ladies' disposal to sell for boxes, and all the Terminal Association offices will be utilized for cloak rooms.

Best of all it is to be a mask ball. "A regular Bradley Martin for the poor," says Mrs. Abner C. Cassiday, who conceived the idea and has worked earnestly to bring about its fulfillment.

Society has grown dull for want of a novelty. A mask ball at Mardi Gras, for that will be about the date of the proposed event, suggests the greatest kind of a frolic. The object will dull the edge of prudish objection.

The ladies who have been working for several days to bring the project to a head were somewhat disappointed when they read in Wednesday's Post-Dispatch of the action of the Merchants' Exchange directors. They had looked to them for co-operation. Instead, the directors decided that as a body they could not assume the management of the affair, and then appointed a committee of three to confer further with the ladies.

Just what is left to confer about the ladies are at a loss to know.

Before laying the matter before the Merchants' Exchange, the ladies had secured the free use of Union Station and had visited the executives of every prominent social club and business organization in the city and obtained from them assurances of hearty co-operation.

All that was looked for from the Exchange was that it should act as a centralizing body to facilitate the work of organization and distribution of tickets.

The thousand and one details ordinarily antecedent to a big ball will not arise in the present instance. The Union Station is so arranged that no further preparation is necessary than the hiring of musicians and attendants, printing and distribution of tickets and appointment of reception and entertainment committees, whose functions are merely nominal.

The ladies expect that when they meet the Conference Committee they will get the matter before them in the right light and rapidly perfect their preliminary organization.

The impression among the Merchants' Exchange directors seems to be that money for the poor can be raised quicker by subscription.

"The ladies are not after the men who subscribe regularly when called upon," said Mrs. Cassiday. "We want to get into the pockets of those who seldom or never give. It is always the same men who give from $50 to $500 at every call. There are thousands of others who would gladly give, and could easily afford, $5 for a charity ball who will not respond to the calls of organized charities.

"Our project need not interfere with those who wish to subscribe to the Provident Association's call. Really, what we ask is a business investment. The idea of giving the ball came to us through our personal observation during the recent cold spell. We found hundreds of families who had not been reached by the organized charities. They were worthy people. They had never asked for aid before and their humiliation was really the saddest feature of their affliction. In nearly every case the head of the family had been idle for months. Work is the greatest charity these honest people can get.

"We propose the charity ball because we can raise $25,000 and put these men at work on the streets. Mr. Milner will be glad to employ them in two weeks' shifts and make the money last into the mild weather.

"Those who give will be blessed as much by this form of charity as those who receive.

"Through Mr. Walsh's kindness in giving us Union Station, all the harrassing advance arrangements are obviated. We have called on the heads of all the big clubs and the business organizations. They have encouraged us and we intend placing our tickets through committees appointed by them. The tickets will not be sold publicly. Those who wish to buy cards of admission can apply to these committees. It was to perfect arrangements along this line that we applied to the Merchants' Exchange.

"When this is done 250 patronesses will be selected, the balcony boxes will be auctioned off and everything will be ready for the charity ball."

Benjamin Henderson, a wealthy ranch owner and pioneer settler, was murdered by a Mexican employed as a laborer on the ranch near Uintah, Cal.

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There are some people who have piles as frequently and regularly as other people have colds.

Any little bowel trouble will bring them on, any extra exertion, as in lifting, will produce them, and in fact will often appear without any apparent provocation. Piles, however, are much more serious than a cold, as the tendency is always to grow worse until the trouble becomes deep seated and chronic, or develops into some fatal rectal disease.

While there are many pile remedies which give relief, yet there is but one which not only gives instant relief but at the same time makes a permanent cure, and that is the well-known Pyramid Pile Cure.

This remedy is composed of simple, harmless, vegetable ingredients, but combined so effectively and act so promptly and thoroughly that it cures every form of piles, whether itching, blind, bleeding or protruding.

In long standing cases the Pyramid Pile Cure has proven to be the only certain cure except a surgical operation, and its advantages over an operation are many, as it is painless, causes no delay, or interference with daily occupation, and last, but not least, it is cheaper than any surgical operation could possibly be, costing but a dollar a package at any drug store.

The cases that the Pyramid Pile Cure will not reach are so few that physicians are doing away with operations for piles and depending on this cheap but effective remedy to accomplish a complete cure, and it never disappoints except in cases beyond the reach of medical skill.

The Pyramid Pile Cure is prepared by the Pyramid Drug Co. of Albion, Mich., and for sale by druggists everywhere at 50 cents per package. Each package contains a treatise on cause and cure of piles, together with testimonials from every section of this country.

Men's Furnishings.

Right out of the fire, yet hardly scorched; some have an odor of smoke, some a little damp, but all worth three to four times what we ask.

500 dozen Men's Full Seamless Socks, only a little mussed, worth 20c a pair; Fire Sale Price 7½c

Big lot Men's Percale Shirts, lot Jumpers, lot Canton Flannel Drawers, slightly damaged, worth 50c to 75c when perfect; Fire Sale Price 10c

Lot Men's Kid Tipped Jersey Driving Gloves, worth 25c to 50c; Fire Sale Price 12½c

Big lot Men's Heavy Jersey Knit, Lace front Overshirts, only a little soiled, worth 50c; Fire Sale Price 15c

Big lot Men's Fine Percale Shirts, lot Wool Overshirts, lot Canton Flannel Drawers, all perfect, but a little mussed, worth 50c to 75c; Fire Sale Price 25c

Lot Fine Laundered and Unlaundered Percale Shirts, lot Indigo Blue Percale Shirts and big lot Fine Medium Weight Shirts and Drawers, worth 75c to $1.00; Fire Sale Price 33⅓c

50c Shirts. Lot Gents' Shirts, Jumpers and Canton Flannel Drawers, damaged, Fire Sale Price 5c

$1.50 and $2.00 Shirts for..... Lot Gents' Fine Blue Flannel Shirts, only a little mussed, Fire Sale Price 49c

5c Calico. 2565 yds. of Calico, put up in bundles of 10 yards, your choice at 25c, or..... 2½c yd

10c Handkerchiefs. 200 doz. Men's Printed Border and Plain White Handkerchiefs worth 10c to 15c, Fire Sale Price 5c

25c Ramie Fiber. 500 yards Best Quality Ramie Fiber Interlining, worth 25c, Fire Sale Price..... 2c

$1 Flouncings. 150 pieces handsome Embroidered Swiss Flouncings, 18 inches wide, worth $1.00, at..... 25c

$1 Curtain Ends. 500 Lace Curtain Ends, Irish Point and Nottingham, worth up to $1.00, at..... 25c

75c and $1.00 Shirts—Lot Gents' Striped Flannel Overshirts, only a little soiled, Fire Sale Price..... 25c

50c and 75c Overalls—Big lot best quality Blue Overalls, all sizes and all perfect, worth 50c to 75c, Fire Sale Price..... 25c

5c Muslins. 5 bales extra heavy Muslin, worth 5c, Fire Sale Price 2½c

10c Flannelettes. 650 yards of Gray, Brown and Tan Flannelettes, best goods at 10c a yard, your choice at ..... 6c yd

5c Cambric Lining. 300 pieces Slater's Best Quality Soft Finished Cambric, worth 5c, Fire Sale Price 2½c

12½c Pillow Slips. 100 dozen good quality ready-made Pillow Slips, Fire Sale Price..... 5c

Linen Table Sets—75 extra fine All-Linen Sets, 2½ yds. long cloth, with 12 Doylies to match, worth $3.75 ..... $1.39

FIRE FIRE SALE

24 CENTS ON THE DOLLAR Is what we paid in cash for $19,870 worth of A1 Merchandise saved from the fire at E. COHEN & CO.'S factory, 708 and 710 Lucas Avenue, last month. The prompt and energetic action of the Fire Department saved a large part of the stock in good condition, which we put on sale **FRIDAY** at unheard-of prices.

MUSLIN UNDERWEAR.

An overstock made for a large Eastern House, comes to us at about 40 Cents on the Dollar. Choice new goods of the very latest styles.

75 dozen Children's Drawers, superior muslin, worked button holes, worth 25c..... 7c

69 dozen of Corset Covers, good fitting, high neck, worth 25c 10c

100 dozen Ladies' Drawers, superior muslin, cluster tucks, ruffles of embroidery, worth 50c 25c

150 dozen Gowns and Skirts, embroidery and lace trimmed, actual value 89c 48c

53 dozen of Gowns and Skirts, Empire and Umbrella styles, all embroidered and lace trimmed, worth $1.00 and $1.25..... 58c

75 dozen Gowns and Skirts, beautifully trimmed with fine embroidery, all go 63c

15 dozen of Gowns and Skirts slightly soiled, worth $1.25 to $1.75 each 75c

An odd lot of Gowns, Skirts and Drawers, best styles and finest materials, worth $2.00 to $2.50, for Friday only 99c

Linens and Domestics.

Linen Stock was in Basement and not reached by fire, but the falling walls and debris made havoc with the packages.

SPECIAL.

500 doz fine Double Thread Cotton and Linen Bath Towels, worth up to 30c; Fire Sale Price 5c

5 cases Fine Glass Toweling, worth 6¼c; Fire Sale Price 3½c

350 fine All-Linen 8-4 Table Cloths, worth 75c; Fire Sale Price 50c

150 doz Fine All-Linen Napkins, worth $1.25; Fire Sale Price 75c

2 cases yard-wide Bleached Muslin, worth 6½c; Fire Sale Price 3c

300 Ready-made Fine Bleached Sheets, good muslin and well made, worth 65c; Fire Sale Price 39c

Ribbons.

1000 yards Satin Back Velvet Ribbons, No. 2 to 9, worth up to 20c yard; Sale Price 5c

5000 yards All-Silk Satin Ribbon double-faced Dresden Ribbon or velvet edge Taffeta Ribbon, 2½ to 3 inches wide and worth up to 33c; Sale Price..... 10c

Trimmings.

1000 yards Trimmings, in Jet Edgings, Colored Spangle Edgings, Colored Silk Frogs, worth up to 33c; Sale Price 10c

900 yards Fur Trimmings, in Gray Coney, Opossum and Angora, worth up to 33c; Sale Price (yard) 5c

Penny and Gentles, BROADWAY & FRANKLIN AVE.

Notions.

Paper American Pins, Ball Crochet Cotton, Cake Toilet Soap, Piece Rick-Rack Braid, Card Hooks and Eyes, 2 dozen, Black or Colored Spool Twist, 200 yds Machine Spool Cotton, Dozen Rubber Buttons, Dozen Jet Buttons, Large Size Tablets, Rubber Hair Pins, worth up to 8c, Sale Price 1c

Box Writing Paper, 24 Sheets and 24 Env., Celluloid Picture Frames, Pair Dress Shields, Box Buttermilk Soap, Set Dress Stays, Piece Rick-Rack Braid, Tooth Brushes, 4-yard piece Velveteen, Box Crimping Pins, worth up to 15c, Sale Price 5c

Linings.

300 yards best quality Rustle Lining, in remnants, worth 15c; Fire Sale Price 5c

50 pieces good quality Hair Cloth, worth 12½c; Fire Sale Price 4½c

39 pieces good quality Canvas, worth 15c; Fire Sale Price 5½c

Velvets.

This lot, owing to boxes being badly scorched, was valued way down low, but on being opened are found in perfect condition, however, they go with the rest.

100 pcs magnificent quality iridescent Silk Velvets—lovely combinations in black and cardinal, black and gold, green and gold, navy and red, navy and gold, cardinal and green, brown and green and other effects—qualities that have always sold at $2.00 per yard, Bargain Day Plum at 49c

Hosiery.

500 doz Ladies' Heavy Fast Black Full Seamless Fleece Lined Hose, worth 20c; Fire Sale Price 7½c

200 doz Ladies' Full Seamless Black Cashmere Hose, worth 25c to 35c; Fire Sale Price 15c

BirdCages BirdCages

AT HALF PRICE. AT HALF PRICE.

The whole stock—3000 Brass and Japanned Bird and Parrot Cages, bought from the PIERCE MFG. CO. of Buffalo, N. Y., at about HALF PRICE.

500 Japan'd Cages, wth 50c, 29c

500 Japan'd Cages, wth 75c, 39c

500 Japan'd Cages, wth $1, 49c

896 Brass Bird Cages, Fire Polished, worth $1.00 ..... 49c

492 Brass Cages, worth $1.25 ..... 69c

Large Parrot Cages, worth $2.50 ..... $1.25

Granite Ware Specials.

500 Family Size Granite Dish Pans, worth 75c 33c

150 2-quart Granite Sauce Pans, worth 30c 7c

Granite Pie Pans, large size..... 5c

Laces and Embroideries

Only mussed and handled, no fire, smoke or water harmed them.

2500 yards Hamburg Edgings, ½ to 2 inches wide, worth 7½c; Fire Sale Price 2½c

3800 yards Cambric and Swiss Edgings, 3 to 4 inches wide, only a little soiled, worth up to 12½c; Fire Sale Price 5c

2000 yards Cambric Edgings, 4 to 7 inches wide, some with Irish Point effect, worth 20c; Fire Sale Price 10c

White Goods.

A little smoke and some mussing don't hurt these, but we want them sold and make prices to do it.

Lot fine Checked and Striped Dimity, Nainsook and Swiss, worth up to 25c; Fire Sale Price 5c

Lot 40-in. Victoria Lawn, worth up to 15c; Fire Sale Price 7½c

Lot fine Figured Piques, worth up to 35c; Fire Sale Price 10c

Wash Fabrics.

Only very slightly damaged, damp and being rumpled is about all—but they go, too.

1 case of Calico, slightly damaged, good styles and colors, worth 6¼c; your choice for Friday 3½c

2540 yards of Gingham and Cheviot, in checks and stripes and choice coloring, worth 10c; Friday Sale 5½c

6500 yards of 32-inch Dress Percale, all spring styles and worth 10c; Fire Sale Price 7½c

REMNANTS.

32-inch Sateen, 36-inch Percale, Madras Cloth, Fine Zephyr Gingham 5c

Shirt Waists

In every degree of damage from being unrecognizable with smoke, to a perfectly clean and fresh garment—but the prices—just read them.

500 Ladies fine Percale Shirt Waists, damaged, go at 5c

750 Ladies' Percale Shirt Waists, light and dark colors, sell at $1.00, only wet 10c

850 Ladies' Percale Shirt Waists, dark and light, perfect, worth 75c and $1.00 ..... 25c

Special.

Jackets and capes to be closed out Friday. 500 Jackets and Capes at lower prices than ever ..... $1.00 AND UP

Dress Goods

REMNANTS.

Our large sales during the week have accumulated a lot of Remnants on hand. Friday they must go. Our prices will do it.

Hundreds of Remnants Half-wool Cashmeres, 27 inches wide, worth 10c; Friday at 5c

Large lot Remnants Cheviots, Henriettas, All-wool Tricots, etc., worth 25c; Friday at 10c

Remnants of Dress Fabric, consisting of Silk Finished Henriettas, All-wool Suiting, Cheviots, etc., worth up to 40c; Friday at 15c

Remnants of All-wool Dress Fabrics, Plain Goods and Novelties, 40 and 50 inches wide, being remnants of this season's latest styles, worth up to 75c per yard; Friday at 25c

GOV. JOHNSON'S LATEST MOVE.

SUPREME COURT EN BANC ASKED TO PASS ON DUESTROW'S CASE.

MOTION FILED WEDNESDAY.

It Is Based on Two Federal Questions Which May Be Used to Go Higher Yet.

Ex-Gov. Charles P. Johnson and Charles T. Noland, attorneys for Arthur Duestrow, filed in the Supreme Court Wednesday afternoon a motion to transfer the cause to the court en banc.

A decision will be rendered on this motion next Tuesday. Division No. 2 of the court, comprising the same judges who handed down the opinion affirming the lower court's verdict, and later refused the motion for a rehearing, will pass upon the motion to transfer. If they grant it, the defendant will be allowed a little more time to live without the necessity of an appeal to the United States Supreme Court. If they refuse it, the next step will be an appeal to this tribunal. In any event Duestrow will not be hanged on Feb. 16, the date set for the execution.

The motion to transfer is made in this instance under a statutory provision which allows such a process in several cited contingencies. One of those contingencies is where there is a Federal question involved.

The first point raised is the one saved in the beginning of the trial. It has reference to the denial to the defendant's counsel of the right to forty-eight hours in which to prepare peremptory challenges of the jury. The law of 1895, enacted after the return of the indictment against Duestrow, reducing the limit of time from forty-eight to twenty-four hours for such challenges, is alleged to be ex-post facto with reference to this case and therefore in violation of sec. 10, art. 1 of the United States Constitution.

The second point urged is that there is a Federal question involved in the decision of the Supreme Court. It is alleged that the court affirmed the appellant's sentence upon facts not shown in the record of the case.

"For the Appellate Court," says the motion, "to affirm said sentence upon facts not shown by the record is to 'deprive him of life without due process of law, and deny him (a person within the jurisdiction of this State) the equal protection of the laws.'"

Such a decision is, therefore, held to be in violation of the fourteenth amendment of the United States Constitution.

A rehearing is prayed for "that the appeal may be determined in due course of law, upon facts shown by the record in the cause, and upon those facts only."

"The action of this division of the Supreme Court," continues the motion, "in overruling appellant's motion for a rehearing, and at the same time filing a modified opinion again stating facts not supported by the record filed in this cause, appellant in his motion for a rehearing did not set out all the facts stated in the court's original opinion, which were not supported by the record, but only set out in said motion a sufficient number of such facts to show that the opinion was not arrived at by an examination of the record, and then recited that there were other such facts in the opinion—shows that the judges of this division have not yet properly examined the record in this cause, as required by statute."

Ex-Gov. Johnson and Mr. Noland returned from Jefferson City Wednesday night. They were disappointed in their failure to secure a rehearing before Division No. 2.

"The Court admitted," said the senior counsel, "that the charges set out in our motion for a rehearing were true. When Judge Gantt ruled on it Tuesday he simply said that in our case the statement and opinion were modified and the decision affirmed.

"Mr. Noland and I secured the modified decision and went through it. We found that Yeager's testimony about Duestrow's fainting spell at the house, Linze's testimony about the electrical sparks from his eyes and the allusion to Dr. Krebs' testimony had been stricken out of the statement. There was a correction of Dr. Menks' testimony, showing that he had testified he thought Duestrow insane, and the error in the body of the opinion where Katie Hahn was misquoted as saying in effect that Duestrow had beaten his wife the night before the murder, was corrected.

"We called attention to all these things in our motion. All our allegations were admitted, and still the opinion was reaffirmed."

If you don't find it in P.-D. Wants, send a "want" to this office or to any drug store.

TWELFTH STREET BRIDGE.

Girders Will Be Put In to Avert Utter Destruction.

Supply Commissioner Richardson Wednesday let the contract for furnishing steel girders and columns for the repair of the Twelfth street bridge.

The Koken Iron Works got it. Their bid was $849.

The bridge was being torn apart longitudinally by the heavy traffic on it, showing that the longitudinal braces were weak.

The Fourteenth street bridge is also in bad shape. It will cost about $5,000 to put the two in safe condition.

Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a constipated condition of the system, which the pleasant family laxative, Syrup of Figs, promptly removes. That is why it is the only remedy with millions of families, and is everywhere esteemed so highly by all who value good health. Its beneficial effects are due to the fact, that it is the one remedy which promotes internal cleanliness without debilitating the organs on which it acts. It is therefore all important, in order to get its beneficial effects, to note when you purchase, that you have the genuine article, which is manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co. only and sold by all reputable druggists.

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, one may be commended to the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, one should have the best, and with the well-informed everywhere, Syrup of Figs stands highest and is most largely used and gives most general satisfaction.

SCHMIDT BOYS HAD STEEL SAWS.

WERE CUTTING THROUGH THE JAIL CEILING.

BETRAYED BY A FRENCHMAN.

Murderers of Bertram A. Atwater Nearly Escaped From the Jail at Clayton.

Cotton Schmidt and his cousin John have friends at large.

But for their betrayal by Joe Louvier, a Frenchman charged with horse stealing, they too would be at large.

They had cut their way nearly out of their cell in the Clayton Jail before the guards were warned.

Three new steel saws were passed through the bars to them, and Sheriff Kerth is trying to learn who did it.

Since the boy Cotton was sentenced by the Supreme Court to be hanged on Feb. 16, he has been sullen and uncommunicative. He refused to talk to any visitor except a relative or friend from Webster Groves, and whenever he suspected an effort was being made to take his picture he would put a blanket over his face.

Since last Saturday he has been more cheerful. Wednesday afternoon he was in a pleasant frame of mind. He looked far from hopeless, and laughed as he refused roughly to answer questions put to him by a reporter.

John Schmidt got the news Tuesday that his sentence had also been affirmed, and he and Sam Foster, the negro accomplice of the Schmidts, would be hanged March 10, but it didn't seem to worry him.

At 6 o'clock p. m. Wednesday the reason for the cheerful demeanor of the young assassins developed.

Joe Louvier, who occupied a cell next to that in which the Schmidts were confined, informed a guard that the murderers were trying to escape. He had heard them using a saw on the ceiling of their cage.

No investigation was made till Thursday morning, but an extra guard was stationed in the body of the jail Wednesday night. The Schmidts were not told that he was there, but they found it out and kept quiet.

After breakfast, Sheriff Kerth took the Schmidts from their cell and searched it. He found three new steel saws, each eight inches long.

The steel ceiling of the cell was cut nearly through.

Two hours more work would have made a hole in it big enough for the prisoners to crawl through.

The cells are on the second floor of the jail and just under a skylight. It would have been easy for the Schmidts to pass through this skylight to the roof. There is a convenient gutter down which they could have slid to the ground. Whether in that event the authorities would have ever seen them again is problematical. They know St. Louis County like a book and the circumstance of the saws having been slipped in to them is proof that they have friends who would have cared for them until they found it safe to go far away.

Sheriff Kerth questioned the Schmidts about the saws. They refused to answer.

"I ain't got anything to say about it," was all he could get from either of them.

Sam Foster was not included in the jail-breaking project. Nobody seems to think he is worth saving from the hangman.

"I have no idea," said the Sheriff, "when the saws were slipped into the jail. It may have been before I took charge and it may have been since. I think I was lucky to find out the scheme before it was successful. I will investigate further."

It was really no trick to get the saws into the murderers. Visitors are permitted to converse with prisoners in the Clayton Jail under circumstances that would make it easy to pass a saw or a knife through the bars without detection.

During exercise hour the prisoners roam at will about the bull ring, which is separated from where visitors stand by crossbars an inch apart. There are two inside guards, but it is not possible for them to watch every visitor. Sheriff Kerth will probably change the rules as to the liberties allowed visitors, and a closer watch will be kept on the Schmidt boys.

HER CHEEK BONE BROKEN.

Miss Brown Was Seriously Injured by Her Brutal Pupil.

Miss Charlotte Brown, a teacher at Stoddard School, who was knocked senseless last Friday afternoon by Harry Wynkoop, a fractious pupil, is confined to her home at 3049 Washington avenue, from the effects of the blow.

It has been discovered that the cheek bone was fractured, and the lady's physician, Dr. John W. Vaughn, says she will be forced to abandon her work for some weeks.

This is particularly hard, as the regulations governing the pay of teachers are such that when one is absent from her class, even if disabled on duty, she receives only half pay. Even that stops after three consecutive weeks' absence.

Miss Brown's friends are very active in her behalf and are taking steps to have young Wynkoop punished as he deserves.

On His Wedding Day.

LANSING, Mich., Feb. 4.—Miss Nellie E. Nichols has sued Dr. Seymour Woodworth for $10,000 for breach of promise. He had just come here from Chicago to marry Miss Marian L. Strong. The marriage was solemnized.

Ten days' stop-over at Washington, D. C., allowed all holders of through tickets to Eastern points, via Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern Railway.

BURIAL PERMITS.

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LEWIS A. FULLEN, 35, 2312 Hebert; congestion of brain.

MARY JANDOS, 46, 1842 South Thirteenth; consumption.

FRED DREHER, 55, 2530 Belle Glade; gunshot wound of chest.

LILLIAN WADDELL, 23, High and Morgan; stab wound (homicide).

WILLIAM OHMS, 75, 716 Julia; hemorrhage of stomach.

JAMES HARRIGAN, 65, 3022 Thomas; pleuro-pneumonia.

LOLA JACKSON, 6, 1531 Bremen; diphtheria.

FREDERICK H. BURGESS, 54, Baptist Hospital; pneumonia.

RUSSELL N. BLOSSOM, 37, Terminal Hotel; morphine poison (accident).

HENRY UHLENHAUT, 90, 1322 Merchant; bronchitis.

JOSEPH E. DAAB, 10 months, 2118 Wyoming; convulsions.

JOHN POWERS, 43, 1427½ North Fourteenth; endocarditis.

CARRIE YOUNG, 5, 712 North Sixteenth; broncho-pneumonia.

Infant of John and Selma Bayard, 2 days, 1329 Sarah; congenital debility.

VIRGINIA PARKER, 48, 6100 South Ninth; congestion of groin.

FRED STEGMANN, 4, 8229 South Eighth; burns (accident).

FRED POHLMAN, 72, Poorhouse; asthma.

RUTH ACKERT, 5; gastro-enteric congestion.

LAURA LARRIMORE, 18, 1201 Garrison; inflammation of brain.

BANK RUMOR WILL NOT DOWN.

CONSOLIDATION OF THE CHEMICAL AND THIRD NATIONAL.

OFFICIALS ENTER DENIALS.

Parties Who Claim to Know Say the Stockholders Will Engineer the Deal.

It is claimed by people in a position to know that the often rumored consolidation of the Third National and Chemical National Banks will soon be effected.

According to a story told by a prominent bank official Thursday, those stockholders in the two banks who favor consolidation are quietly securing the proxies of others, and will spring the matter on the public as soon as a majority is obtained. This information came from a stockholder who does not live in St. Louis, but who has recently visited the city in order to hold a conference with some of the others favorable to consolidation.

The negotiations have been kept quiet, it is said, on account of the influence publicity might have upon the price of the stock. But, in spite of these precautions, the street has been full of rumors, which have had a visible effect upon the price of Chemical National stock. One week ago the stock was offered at 70 cents, with no demand. Now 71½ is bid and 79 cents asked. This is due to the talk of consolidation.

The officers of the two banks claim that they do not know anything of the negotiations. Rumors of the consolidation of two, three and even five banks have been so numerous of late that they have ceased to pay any attention to them, so they claim. President Cram of the Third National laughed when a reporter for the Post-Dispatch mentioned the subject to him Thursday. "There is absolutely nothing in it," he said. "I have denied this thing so often that it has grown tiresome. I have not heard of any negotiations, and it is quite probable that I would be consulted before such a scheme went through."

A visit to the Chemical National resulted in another denial. "I know nothing of such negotiations as you speak of," said Vice-President Thomas Wright. "I will admit that I would approve of a consolidation. I think consolidations of banking interests are good things for all concerned, but we would not think of a consolidation without knowing the condition of each institution, and no such investigation has been made. I think it is the same old groundless rumor."

The man who told the story insists that he is right, however. He points to the last election of the Third National, and says that the stockholders might not have taken the officers into their confidence so early in the game.

GALLAGHER LET HIM GO.

The Detective Thought He Had One of the Kaime Robbers.

Special Officer Jack Gallagher of the Sixth District made what he considered an important capture at noon Thursday in the Four Courts Building, when he arrested Joseph Huey on suspicion of being one of the burglars who in broad daylight looted the residence of E. F. Kaime, at 3741 Delmar avenue, of $7,000 worth of furniture.

Gallagher is enjoying a ten days' vacation but he is employing his leisure time in trying to apprehend the Kaime burglars. This morning he received a tip that Huey was one of the criminals.

The wagon in which the furniture was removed from the Kaime residence was hired by the criminals from A. M. Clapp, of 1304 Washington avenue. Gallagher took his prisoner to Clapp's stable and had Mr. Clapp look him over. Mr. Clapp said that Huey was not one of the men and Gallagher released the prisoner.

There are Some People

In St. Louis that have never been in our store—don't know what a superior stock of goods we carry, and how cheap we sell good groceries. If you are one of them, come now. It will be our pleasure to show what we have—price what we have—and sell what we have, if you choose to buy.

Grocery Specials

FOR FRIDAY AND SATURDAY.

EXTRA FINE SMOKED FINNAN HADDIES, per pound..... 7½c
3-lb cans nice Canned Pumpkin, each..... 5c
Yellow Cornmeal, per lb..... 1c
Graham Flour, per lb..... 2½c
German Bird Seed, round boxes, regular price 10c a box; ours..... 5c
Flake Hominy, per lb..... 2c
Evaporated Apples, per lb..... 5c
German Coffee Essence, in round sticks, six for 5c
2-lb cans genuine Doxsee Clam Juice, two cans for 25c
Ginger Snaps, nice and fresh, per lb..... 5c
Navy Beans, per lb..... 2c
Green Peas, per lb..... 2c
Star Candles, 4 for..... 5c
Finest Domestic Swiss Cheese, per lb..... 14c
Elegant Layer Raisins, 3 lbs for..... 25c
Nice Canned Pie Peaches, per can..... 5c
Genuine Dr. Harter's Stomach Bitters, per bottle 48c
5-lb boxes Crown Mixed Candy, per box..... 34c
Genuine Bass Ale, pint bottles, per doz..... $1.75
California Brandy, vintage '89, just the thing for medicinal use, per gal..... $2.95
Old Crow Whisky, full quart bottles, six-year-old, regular price $1.25; ours..... 85c
Falmouth Whisky, the people's favorite, 4 years old, equal to any $3.00 whisky sold elsewhere; our price, per gal..... $2.00

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VISITORS TO THE CITY.

E. R. Taylor and Charles Birch, Louisville, Ky., are at the Laclede.

N. A. Garrett, Moberly, Mo., is at the Southern.

M. R. Harned, Caseyville, Ill., is at the Laclede.

E. G. Gantt, Mexico, Mo., is at the Planters'.

P. J. Millett, Knoxville, Tenn., is at the Southern.

A. H. Danforth, Charleston, Mo., is at the Planters'.

Chas. A. Geiger, Troy, O., is at the Southern.

B. F. Harris and wife of Champaign, Ill., are guests of the Planters'. Mr. Harris is a banker and owns a Republican newspaper.

J. I. Carter, Chattanooga, Tenn., is at the Planters'.

J. H. Bass, Ft. Wayne, Ind., is at the Southern.

George Arnold, Memphis, Tenn., is at the Planters'.

John R. Campbell, Chicago, is a guest of the Southern.

Col. L. W. Harper, chief clerk of the Southern, returned to his place behind the counter Thursday morning after a week's absence in New York.

Thornton Lewis and wife of Cincinnati, O., are guests of the Planters'.

George A. Laughlin, Richmond, Ind., is at the Southern.

George W. Palmer, Wooster, O., is at the Lindell.

W. H. Johnson, Greenfield, Ill., is at the Lindell.

L. A. Samuels, Pine Bluff, Ark., is at the Lindell.

I. O. Brewster, Philadelphia, Pa., is at the Lindell.

Scotch Ship Yards Burned.

GLASGOW, Feb. 4.—The shipyards of the Fairfield Shipbuilding Co., at Govan, near here, have been almost completely destroyed by fire. The damage done is estimated to amount to $250,000. Four thousand persons have been thrown out of employment.

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THE DYER ANTI-TRUST BILL.

The anti-trust bill presented to the House by Representative Dyer of De Kalb County is based on the Calvin anti-Trust law, which has been effective in Georgia, and is almost a verbatim copy of that law. It is claimed that the Calvin law has compelled the American Tobacco Co., the Snuff Trust, the Potash Trust, the Coffee Trust, the Match Trust and others that were operating in that State to abandon their contracts restraining buyers and attempting to control prices. There is every reason to believe that the Dyer bill, if enacted into law, would have a similar effect in Missouri.

Whatever strength the Calvin law has will also be found in the Dyer bill. Nothing has been omitted or added that could weaken the effect of the law. The Calvin law is by far the best anti-Trust law that has yet been drawn up. In fact, it is the only law which has shown prompt and comprehensive results. It was specially designed to promote full and free competition, and it places no onerous restrictions upon home enterprise or trade carried on legitimately.

If the Missouri Legislature will pass this law it will deserve the gratitude of every patriotic citizen. Under State laws such as this the Trusts can be broken up. And Missouri ought to be one of the first States to prove to them that they are not above the law.

THE FELLOW SERVANT BILL.

Senator Brewster put much of the argument for a Fellow Servant law into a nutshell at the meeting of the Senate committee. When a request was made for "further time," to "more fully consider the matter," the Senator said: "This bill has been discussed for fifteen years to my certain knowledge, and there is certainly no reason for delaying matters any longer." And after that the wind went out of the opposition as the gas escapes from a balloon with a hole in it.

There can be little doubt now of the passage of the bill. It is a case of survival of the fittest. The measure has proved both its merit and its popular support by its tenacity. Sometimes the lobby can defeat a measure which is not vital, which has nothing but the sandbag or the bludgeon of the boodler behind it. It may never be heard of again, or, if it is resurrected, it is as easily disposed of as at first. Such measures, in fact, often appear at successive sessions in State Assemblies. They arouse no public interest or support and die without mourners.

But in Missouri the principle of the Fellow-Servant law has justified itself. It has forced its recognition in the platform of the dominant party in the State. The people, through that party, have put the seal of their approval upon it. The party serves the people.

THE CASE OF LORD PENRHYN.

Lord Penrhyn owns extensive quarries in Wales. These quarries lie in land that Penrhyn's ancestors most likely got by conquest—a high-sounding name for robbery. When Lord Penrhyn chooses, 10,000 persons can subsist by working in these quarries. At present the quarries are closed by Lord Penrhyn's orders, because the quarrymen insist that they have a right to combine for mutual protection. Penrhyn, who is a worthy successor of the Mediaeval barons, refuses to arbitrate the question, and the men and their families are living in idleness, supported by public charity.

Last Thursday Lord Penrhyn's right to starve 10,000 persons because he does not believe in trades-unionism or arbitration was debated in the House of Commons. During the six hours' debate only three Members, two of whom were his relatives, supported Penrhyn's claim of life and death over his workmen. Even the Tories asserted that their party was in favor of trade combinations and arbitration. Meanwhile, the miners are being helped by contributions from all classes and conditions, even Privy Councilors subscribing to the fund. The case has aroused all England. This exhibition of autocracy in the management of industry is practically without public sympathy.

Lord Penrhyn is merely doing, on somewhat different lines, what was done at Spring Valley and Pullman City, Ill., not long ago. And his action, like the actions of the Spring Valley Coal Co. and the Pullman Co., is a blow at the Democratic principle of private ownership and individual enterprise which suffers much, in these days, at the hands of Plutocrats and demagogues.

The mass-meeting of the Democratic clubs of St. Louis to be held in Music Hall, Exposition Building, next Saturday night will be the first practical step toward the solution of our pressing municipal problems. The people are the source of power, and they are never so effective as when they assemble in mass to formulate the principles to govern party and public action. At Saturday night's meeting the vital questions of taxation, subsidy, franchise granting and the necessary reforms in governing bodies will be discussed with a view to organized action and expression. The meeting will be the most important held in St. Louis for years.

A JUST ARBITRATION TREATY.

The most vital change made in the arbitration treaty by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations is in the addition to art. 1. That article, in the treaty agreed upon by Olney and Salisbury, reads:

The high contracting parties agree to submit to arbitration, in accordance with the provisions and subject to the limitations of this treaty, all questions of difference between them, which they may fail to adjust by diplomatic negotiations.

The Senate committee to this added the following:

But no question which affects the foreign or domestic policy of either of the high contracting parties, or the relations of either to any other State or Power, by treaty or otherwise, shall be a subject for arbitration under this treaty, except by special agreement.

This amendment obviously grew out of art. 10 of the Olney-Salisbury treaty, which provides that when either of the contracting Powers, before the close of the hearing, shall declare that the question raised involves other questions of the right and duty of the protesting Power, then the arbitral tribunal, as constituted under other sections of the treaty, shall determine whether or not such other questions are involved, and whether or not it will proceed with the arbitration.

The favor which the treaty, as unamended, has met in England, is assurance that English interests have nothing to fear from such a surrender of discretion as the treaty proposes. No other conclusion is left, therefore, than that art. 10 was intended to take from the United States its independent power of action in relation to the enforcement of the Monroe Doctrine, and in relation, even, to the discharge of our treaty obligations. Under such a treaty we would have gone into court powerless to effectively assert our national policies or effectively safeguard our national interests.

The Senate committee, accordingly, has amended art. 10 by stipulating that when either party to the trial shall declare that the question in issue involves other questions which its obligations, honor and well-settled policy make matters for its own exclusive determination, "the jurisdiction of such arbitral tribunal over such matter shall cease." A very vital distinction indeed.

The committee has also struck out entirely and without substitution the clause making King Oscar of Sweden the final arbiter. After the sweeping amendments to the original text this excision was not so necessary as it was just and proper.

The treaty, as amended, will doubtless be ratified by the Senate. And if England is really longing for assured peace it will meet with equal acceptance there.

With the coming of better times—and let us hope we shall not have much longer to wait—St. Louis will make greater progress than ever in all her vast business interests. It will take a great many new factories to supply the trade of the Mississippi Valley metropolis.

John William Ohms, with his $10,000, might as well have been one of the city's destitute for all the comfort his savings brought him in his last moments. The extremes of hoarding and wasting are ever filling the world with misery.

The effect of the German beet sugar bounty is to make Germans pay more for their sugar than foreigners have to give for German sugar. Bounties and high tariffs always butt the home consumer hard.

Senator Chandler's resolution against acquiescence in the gold standard was unnecessary. There is little prospect that the country will acquiesce in a scheme so depressing to business interests.

The tariff tinkers expect to add at least $60,000,000 to the taxation of American consumers, and they will check exports. This is the sort of prosperity we are to get from the new administration.

It seems that Speaker Reed can stay out of the Cabinet himself and keep others out also. Mr. Boutelle must have effervesced in a very lively manner when this fact was made known.

With the Grand-jury at work on the new order of things in Kentucky it ought not to be long before her recent political follies are made plain to every intelligent Kentucky voter.

So long as great wealth is so little taxed, comparatively, the community as a whole can scarcely afford to tax itself to keep up a large militia force for the benefit of great wealth.

A large land owner in Mr. McKinley's State has just failed in consequence of not being able to collect farm rents. Farm rents cannot be paid under the gold standard.

A dry inaugural ball will to many of the dancers be lacking in magnificence. Is the Mrs. McKinley Temperance Society to succeed the Mrs. R. B. Hayes organization?

Between those too rather pert young men, Emperor Billy and Comptroller Eckels, Germany's great Bismarck will scarcely be able to keep his place in history.

Mr. McKinley may be tempted to thrust Silent Cyrus into his Cabinet, as the Mayor has ventured to Canton. Mr. McKinley knows St. Louis is a great town.

In January there were 648 deaths from pulmonary diseases in Chicago. The climate by the Great Dismal Lake is well suited to the growth of vast cemeteries.

Labouchere fears woman suffrage in Great Britain because there are 1,200,000 more women than men. Clearly, the British male is fading away.

The self-propelling fire engine of Boston makes ten miles an hour and climbs hills. This is an extinguisher for our faithful fire department steeds.

The groundhog came out of his hole on Feb. 2, Boss Filley came out of the Mosque on Feb. 3, and both threw a shadow on the surroundings.

With bread riots in Madrid and the insurgents at Havana's gates, the unhappiness of decaying Spain can scarcely be measured.

Sweetly slumbers the groundhog, oblivious of Hicks, Frankenfield or any of the other human and necessarily inferior seers.

No progressive, wide-awake newspaper lacks readers. The Post-Dispatch's great circulation is sufficient evidence of this fact.

Perhaps Gen. Alger would be happier if there were fewer explanations as to why he has been placed in the Cabinet.

The idle money in the New York banks is remaining idle because Mr. McKinley's election has not restored confidence.

Does J. Addison Porter imagine that he can move about in the great Thurber shoes without rattling a little?

Hard words are being thrown at Nevada from all directions since she embarked in the pug business.

Many millions of people in this country do not approve Secretary Gage's ideas. He may possibly be wrong.

Though Mr. McKinley's Cabinet has already three members from lake States, it may not hold water.

Mrs. McKinley's inaugural wrap will not be exclusively American, whatever the Major may wear.

Sherman's subservience to Hanna will not add to the number of the retiring Senator's admirers.

Mr. McKinley is too much absorbed in his new duties to write letters about aiding the poor.

Foraker and Bushnell have an interest in the State of Ohio as well as McKinley and Hanna.

If sunshine always follows shadow, what a bright day is in store for poor Cuba!

Chicago "extract of beef" is a horse on the rest of the country.

Spain is even treating her own soldiers barbarously.

It takes too many Taylors to make a George.

The New President's Message.

From the Cincinnati Enquirer.

What of the President's inaugural address on the 4th of March? It will favor tariff revision, of course, but will it acknowledge that the McKinley rates were too high, making higher prices to purchasers, restraining imports and making a deficiency in the revenue? Will it dodge the question of finance? Will it emit wisdom, give good advice, and map out policies, or will it be merely rhetoric and glittering generalities? Perhaps the President-elect has undertaken more than ought to be expected of any Chief Executive; but he has essayed the job of bringing prosperity back to this country, and he must do it or confess failure.

Reflections of a Bachelor.

From the New York Press.

Don't believe all the good you hear.

The more there is to a woman the easier she is to understand.

The older a man gets the more respect he has for himself when he was a child.

Where a man would say "I could have kicked myself," I wonder what a woman would say.

When a girl wants to get you to hold her hand she says: "Oh, do you know anything about palmistry?"

As soon as a girl finds out that a man hates to see her cry she begins to practice making the tears come into her eyes when she wants to.

Millionaire Munificence.

From the Washington Post.

The Bradley Martins have contributed $10 to the fund for the New Yorkers who are starving. This ought to silence all senseless talk about the approaching $300,000 function.

Would Keep Her Too Busy.

From the Detroit Free Press.

He: I have never kissed you, Alice. Would you cut my friendship if I stole just one?

She: I might be tempted to, but I was just reading about forgiving seventy times seven offendings. Goodness! That's 490.

NIGHT.

Written for the Post-Dispatch.

The night is still. Upon the silent street
No hoofs resound with irritating beat,
Nor sounds unseemly rend the sleeping air.
The night is still, and all the world is fair,
Like saintly nuns in quiet, safe retreat.

The silent moon, with full, resplendent light,
Swings like a golden censer from her height,
With mystic spell the hand of death to stay.
Ah, by my faith, there is no charm of day
To match the peerless beauty of the night!

The silence wakes a tender feeling, fraught
With sweet desires and longings deep for aught
By human hearts e'er seen or felt or heard;
And Love is like a golden-throated bird,
Singing between the interludes of thought.

WILLIS LEONARD CLANAHAN.
St. Louis, Feb. 2, 1897.

IN THE PUBLIC EYE.

JOSEPH L. RAWLINS.

This is a picture of the newly elected United States Senator from Utah, who was chosen on the fifty-third ballot. He is a native of Utah, is 46 years of age and a free silver Democrat.

MEN OF MARK.

The University of Berlin will celebrate the 400th anniversary of Melancthon's birth on Feb. 16 by the delivery of a special address in the Aula. The orator will be Dr. Adolf Harnack, professor of ecclesiastical history, well known as an exponent of broad evangelical theology.

A Massachusetts soldier was the first to lose a leg in the Civil War. He enlisted April 30, 1861, and 20 days later his leg was crushed by the fall of a stack of his own company's muskets in the Capitol rotunda at Washington. The widow of this boy in blue has just been awarded a pension of $12 a month.

Mr. Hays, the Sleepy Eye editor, who was the authority for the statement that Grant Bramble had sold his rotary steam engine patents for $6,700,000, now owns up that he cannot discover that Bramble has received a cent. Hays thinks Bramble has a good invention, but so far he has not succeeded in selling it.

The centennial of the birth of Franz Siebold was recently celebrated in Japan by about 100 gentlemen, all but 18 being Japanese. Siebold was the author of works upon Japan of high value, and in 1820 he was imprisoned in Yeddo for buying a map. He introduced lilies, camellias, peonies and other Japanese plants into Europe.

Don Miguel Ahumada has proved himself a model Governor of the State of Chihuahua, Mexico. During his first term of office, without increasing taxation, he paid off about three-quarters of the public debt of the State, amounting to $300,000, while at the same time more than doubling the educational facilities for the young, securing the establishment of a large number of new commercial and manufacturing enterprises, erecting hospitals and constructing water works, which are unequaled in the Republic of Mexico.

WOMEN OF NOTE.

The Queen Regent of Spain smokes more than a dozen cigarettes a day.

A new musical prodigy has appeared in Vienna in the person of Paul Szalit, a 10-year-old girl, who is said to rival Josef Hofman in piano playing, and also shows a remarkable genius for composition.

Queen Victoria's book will be published in America by the Century Company. There will be 100 copies on Japanese paper at $50 and 600 on fine paper at $15. Both editions are strictly limited, and no more will be printed.

The Oklahoma House has caught a tartar in Mrs. Weeks of Wichita, whom it elected a clerk and later dropped, on reconsideration of the vote. She went before a Notary and was sworn in before the reconsideration was taken, and is at work and refuses to quit, defying the House.

Mrs. Ballington Booth is enthusiastic over her convict work, so that it is natural for her to write a book about a convict. It is entitled "Did the Pardon Come Too Late?" It is announced as "a plain recital of the facts in a most pathetic case where a pardon reached a prisoner only a few hours before his death in the hospital."

Dr. Mary A. Walker owns considerable property near Oswego, N. Y., which, for the last quarter of a century, she has been trying to donate either to some government, to the State, or to some wealthy individual who will construct thereon a hospital for the treatment and cure of consumption and all throat and lung troubles.

HAPPY FANCIES.

Teacher: What animal attaches himself to man the most? Johnny Thickhed: The—er—er—bulldog, ma'am.—Puck.

"Is the sail the only thing that guides a ship?" asked the green passenger. "No," said the mate. "There are rudders."—Indianapolis Journal.

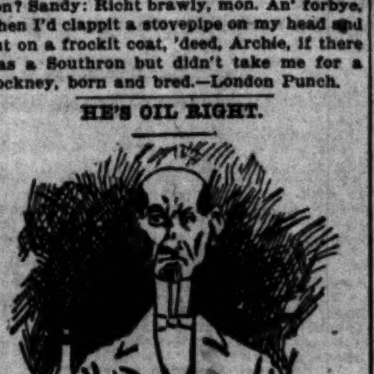
Milkman: Dear me! My artesian well has burst and the water is all running to waste. Neighbor (sympathizingly): Oh, well, don't cry over spilt milk.—New York Press.

"I drink in inspiration from your face!" he cried. However, when he professed a bibulous preference for a mug she gave him the stony stare. At which he murmured that a stein would do all right.—New York Press.

In Philadelphia—Judge: What is the charge against this man, Mr. Officer? Officer: Creating a disturbance, your Honor. Judge: Was it much of a disturbance? Officer: Indeed it was, sir. It woke me up. —Richmond Dispatch.

After a Trip to London.—Archie: Weel, Sandy, an' hoo did ye pass the time in Lunnon? Sandy: Richt brawly, mon. An' forbye, when I'd clappit a stovepipe on my head and put on a frockit coat, 'deed, Archie, if there was a Southron but didn't take me for a Cockney, born and bred.—London Punch.

HE'S OIL RIGHT.



"A Man of Taste."

THE THEATERS.

Fanny Davenport's sumptuous and interesting production of "Gismonda" pleased the Olympic audience last evening. This play is more dependent upon scenic investiture for success than either of the other Sardou productions of Miss Davenport, and while thrilling enough in all conscience the somber hand of Death is withheld from the hero and heroine. The most notable feature of last evening's performance was the manner in which Almerio was presented. Mr. MacDowell is an excellent actor. He has the presence and the voice for such a role and in every scene his work lost nothing by comparison with that of his gifted wife. "Gismonda" will be repeated this evening and to-morrow evening. "Fedora" will be given at the Saturday matinee and "La Tosca" Saturday night.

Della Fox and her company will sing "The Little Trooper" to-night at the Century.

The sixteenth annual charity benefit of the Elks, which will be given next Thursday afternoon at the Fourteenth Street Theater, bids fair to be a tremendous success. The committee having charge of the arrangements reports a demand for tickets far beyond expectations. This is probably due to the magnificent programme, which comprises professional talent from all the theaters in the city.

There has been a large sale of seats for the Nordica concert at Music Hall to-morrow night. The programme is arranged as follows:

PART I.

Overture—"Raymond" .... A. Thomas
Orchestra.
"Honor and Arms" .... Handel
J. C. Dempsey.
"Nobil Signor," Huguenots .... Meyerbeer
Mme. Scalchi.
Recitative and Romanza, "La Flora del Destino," .... Verdi
Barron Berthald.
Aria—"St. Elizabeth" .... Franz Erkel
Mme. Nordica.

PART II.

Overture—"If I Were King" .... Adam
Orchestra.
Last act of Verdi's "Il Trovatore," with scenery, costumes, etc., and the following cast:
Leonora .... Mme. Nordica
Manrico .... Barron Berthald
Azucena .... Mme. Scalchi
Count di Luna .... J. C. Dempsey
Conductor .... Isidore Luckstone

The repertoire for the Damrosch Opera company's engagement in St. Louis with the casts is as follows: Monday, Feb. 22, "Lohengrin," with Gadski as Elsa and Krauss as Lohengrin; Tuesday, "Die Walkuere," with Fischer as Wotan, Susan Strong as Sieglinde, Krauss as Siegmund and Lilli Lehmann-Kalisch as Brunnhilde, Wednesday, "Carmen," with Gadski as Michaela, Somer as Escamillo and Emma Calve as Carmen; Thursday, "Die Meistersinger" with Krauss as Walther, Stehmann as Beckmesser and Fischer as Hans Sachs; Friday, "Flying Dutchman," with Somer as the Dutchman and Gadski as Senta; Saturday matinee, "Faust," with Susan Strong as Marguerite and Krauss as Faust. The sale of season seats will begin next Monday, Feb. 8, at Bollman Bros., 1100 Olive street. Sales of tickets for single nights on and after Monday, Feb. 15. Several of the boxes have already been applied for.

Roland Reed will present his new play, "The Wrong Mr. Wright," at the Century next week, begining Sunday.

James O'Neill's engagement at the Olympic begins Sunday night. "Monte Cristo" will be the bill that night and Monday and Wednesday evenings and Saturday afternoon; "Virginus" Tuesday and Thursday evenings and Wednesday afternoon; "Hamlet" Friday evening; "The Courier of Lyons" Saturday evening.

Each of the four popular price theaters is doing a good business this week.

"Shannon of the Sixth" is running at the Fourteenth Street Theater. Next week Anna Eva Fay will present her latest sensation, "Somnolency."

A HINT TO ADVERTISERS.

In some people's eyes there is a great deal in the lining of a coat—We have some with silk lining, some without, etc.

PEOPLE'S FIRE LLOYDS.

Judge Russell Refuses to Dismiss the Attorney General's Action.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Judge Russell of the Supreme Court has refused to dismiss the action brought by the Attorney-General for the purpose of enjoining the People's Fire Lloyds from transacting business. He holds that the Attorney-General should have an opportunity of presenting proof as to whether the Lloyds insurance is legal or not.

This decision is a hard blow and the Insurance Bureau will follow it up and endeavor to force the concern out of business. The decision will affect about thirty of the Lloyd companies, in which former Governor Levi P. Morton, Chauncey M. Depew and others are interested, and which have risks aggregating $120,000,000 outstanding.

Judge Russell holds that the State has a right to regard the business of insurance as one dependent upon the exercise of a franchise, which the State has the right to give and withhold, and the contention that the State cannot maintain this action to determine that the individual members of the People's Fire Lloyds have no right to exercise an insurance franchise cannot be successfully maintained.

STUDENT MISSIONARIES.

Convention of the Association Being Held at New York.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—A three days' convention of the Students' Missionary Association, which represents all the Protestant Episcopal colleges in the United States and Canada, opened at the general theological seminary in this city to-day with a large attendance. The delegates were welcomed by Rev. E. A. Hoffman, dean of the seminary, while the charge to the students was delivered by Rev. Dr. W. H. Hare, Bishop of South Dakota. Among those present, and who will speak on various phases of the students' missionary work, are W. W. Craig of Montreal, F. W. Ambler of the University of the South, J. Khadder of King's College, Nova Scotia; C. E. Hutchison of Cambridge Divinity School, F. A. Wright of Philadelphia and U. B. Thomas of Alexandria Seminary.

J. W. VAN CLEAVE FOR MAYOR.

SUGGESTED AS AN IDEAL DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE.

IN HANDS OF HIS FRIENDS.

Paper Indorsing the Popular Stove Man Being Actively Circulated in the Business District.

There is another Richmond in the Mayoralty field.

Within the last few days a paper has been circulated freely among business men setting forth the sterling qualities of J. W. Van Cleave as Democratic Mayoralty timber. Appended to it is a communication addressed to Mr. Van Cleave, asking him to consent to the presentation of his name before the Democratic City Convention. This communication is being numerously signed by business men.

The indorsement accompanying it is a glowing one. It sets forth that Mr. Van Cleave, if elected, would make an ideal business man's Mayor and would spend his time furthering the commercial interests of the city. It is urged that he is a practical business man and in no sense a politician, though he has been a lifelong Democrat. It is believed by his supporters that he would secure the votes of the better element of both parties.

Mr. Van Cleave is general manager of the Buck Stove and Range Co., and is a prominent member of the Manufacturers' Association. He is well and favorably known in business circles, though his name has never before been used in connection with politics.

Mr. Van Cleave says that he knew nothing of the starting of a movement to run him for Mayor next spring. A Post-Dispatch reporter called on him Thursday and told him there had been some talk going around about a certain gentleman being urged to accept the nomination for Mayor.

"I have no doubt there has," said Mr. Van Cleave, as he tore open one of a big pile of letters on his desk, "but, then, you know I am no politician. I can't tell you anything about the situation."

The reporter got closer to the subject and told Mr. Van Cleave that he was the certain gentleman mentioned.

Mr. Van Cleave smiled. Gradually the smile broadened and broke into a good-natured laugh.

"You say I am the man? Why, you must be mistaken. I don't know a thing about politics," he said. "I am just a plain, ordinary business man. I never heard of the movement you speak of. If any of my friends are doing anything of that kind they are acting without my knowledge or consent. I am a busy man and have never had an ambition to be Mayor."

"Do you mean to say you would not accept the nomination if it were offered you?"

"No, I would not exactly say that. In fact I would rather say nothing about it until I find out whether my friends are really acting in the matter.

A prominent business man, who had just attached his signature to the petition, said:

"There can be no doubt that Mr. Van Cleave's name will go befoe the convention. If he consents to the use of his name and secures the nomination he would have 40,000 votes assured him before the campaign opens."

Another gentleman said:

"Mr. Van Cleave is perhaps the most thorough Democratic business man in St. Louis. I can cite you an instance related to me by a friend:

"A certain St. Louis man bought an expensive range from Mr. Van Cleave's firm. It was a combination range, made to burn hard or soft coal or wood. The purchaser's wife decided to burn hard coal in the range. She had a stubborn servant girl who objected to hard coal. The girl could not or would not make the range bake satisfactorily. Finally, when all other means had failed, the lady of the house came to the conclusion that she ought to see the manager of the range company.

"She went to the factory and saw Mr. Van Cleave. He thanked her for coming, and startled her by announcing that he would call at the house that evening and examine the range. That night he went several miles out of his way to inspect the range. The next day the superintendent of the factory and a workman went to the house under his orders, and overhauled the range. Still the girl could not make it work. The man who bought the range went to Mr. Van Cleave.

"'What time do you go home?' asked Mr. Van Cleave. He was told. 'Well, I'll go with you,' said the manager. He could just as well have sent a workman, but he had such a sense of his responsibility that he went himself.

"He went into the kitchen and cleaned out the range himself. Then he built a fire and made the girl bake a batch of biscuits. They were satisfactory. Mr. Van Cleave thanked the purchaser profusely for calling on him, and bowed himself out.

"That kind of Democratic energy applied to the Mayoralty would bring splendid results."

AGAINST BUCKET SHOPS.

Radical Action May Be Taken by the New York Stock Exchange.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The governors of the New York Stock Exchange have about decided to choke off every bucket shop in this or any other State and seriously affect the Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchange.

The arrangements proposed include the taking of a decisive step as to the distribution of the Exchange's quotations. The Gold and Stock Telegraph Co. furnishes the stock quotations to outsiders, while the New York Quotation Co. supplies only members of the Exchange. The two companies have a five years' contract with the Exchange, which expires June 30. Each company pays the Exchange $30,000 a year. It is proposed to cut off the Gold and Stock Telegraph Co. and to prevent the Quotation Co. from sending out transactions and prices over the tickers until fifteen or possibly thirty minutes after the transaction has been reported on the floor of the Exchange.

If such a plan is carried out, it was argued, the bucket shops will be unable to obtain the official quotations of the New York Exchange, and that besides the business of the members of the Exchange, who have paid anywhere from $15,000 to $30,000 for their seats, has been greatly curtailed.

ADDISON CAMMACK RETIRES.

The Wall Street Operator Has Sold His Seat for $25,000.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Addison Cammack, the last of the old picturesque figures who made Wall street what it is, has sold his seat on the Stock Exchange for $25,000, and will be seen no more in the places where his presence was once so feared.

In spite of $4,000,000, which he is said to have amassed in the street, he is now, personally, a poor man. All his estate is in the name of his wife, who is rich, and the big operator is without money with which to carry on any but the smallest deals. He is said to have been a loser for five years.

Formerly Mr. Cammack was nearly always a bear, and would dump stock on the Exchange in reckless fashion to gain a point. Jay Gould, Charles J. Osborne and Cammack were great friends, and often went scalping together. His latest deal of consequence was to bring about the collapse of the Northern Pacific-Villard corner. He was born in Hopkinsville, Ky.

The Powers and the Sultan.

PARIS, Feb. 4.—The Temps, in an article believed to be inspired, announces that the foreign diplomats at Constantinople have agreed upon potential coercive measures, the ratification of which by the Cabinets of their governments they are now awaiting. When they have been obtained the reforms will at once be presented to the Sultan.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

(The Post-Dispatch does not hold itself responsible for any opinions or statements of those in these letters. It is a free parliament.)

The Peers Militia Bill.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

Senator Peers' bill for the reorganization of the State militia seems to be a carefully drawn measure for the purpose of creating a substantial standing army in our midst at the expense of the taxpayers. Against what kind of a foe I pray is this project directed? Isn't the answer found in the plea of superior rights of "property" to flesh and blood as represented in the masses of propertyless humanity, who are being ground between the upper and nether millstone of wealth? Doesn't this measure come from a source that bids defiance to the great common people although invested with the right of suffrage? Isn't it a measure to put upon the backs of the many another burden in order that the young scions of wealthy families, living on the unearned increments flowing from an undemocratic system of private taxation, may be dressed up in the habiliments of war and flattered and petted by the elite of the community and made to believe that men who labor are the enemies of society? Isn't it born of the desire to surround a class waxing fat and arrogant on the enforced labor of thousands of serf-bound people so situated because of unjust laws, with an armed force in order to lend fancied security in their unrighteous privileges?

Is not this bill a class measure, pure and simple, without a redeeming feature, except in the eyes of those who claim to be superior to the common clay of humanity? No doubt under conditions which prevail, a well ordered militia subservient to civil authority is not to be decried, but the idea of building up a powerful State army of young fellows who have no sympathy with the hardships of those who toil, and to be armed and accoutred by the United States Military Department, is a monstrous proposition that should be buried out of sight the moment it is presented in the House. If additional legislation is necessary for the preservation of our military department, let some friend of the great common people draw a bill providing for a few companies, and make provision for their maintenance out of the general revenues of the State, place a limit thereon, and prohibit discrimination as to membership, and no one will object, but Senator Peers' bill smacks too much of the attempt to accomplish on State lines the objects of those who have been knocking unsuccessfully at the doors of Congress, these many years, for a large national standing army, and it is a menace to real manhood, and a further encroachment on the rights of those who carry the burdens of civilization.

L. P. C.
St. Louis, Feb. 2.

The Problem of the Unemployed.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I read with much interest an article in your valuable paper of Sunday, Jan. [illegible], page 17, entitled: "What If the Rich Should Suddenly Become Poor?" Now, if any of these thousands of unemployed should take any of the advice given they would be, at the end of their endeavors to find work, just as far advanced as they were in the beginning. All honest means to obtain work or employment of any kind are exhausted at present. People who never before in life have known want of work, money or provisions whatsoever face this infamous condition bravely, and it sounds like a sneer at human society when one of its own members advises their fellow creatures to rob and steal. Indeed if this is the true condition the last atom of respect for so-called human justice must disappear among the honest working people.

But I believe these gentlemen that are so proud and yet say they would be willing to work at anything whatever in case of any emergency, would now fail to find any opportunity to accomplish their purposes.

UNEMPLOYED WORKINGMAN.
St. Louis, Feb. 1.

Objections to the Treaty.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

The following appear to me to be valid objections to the English treaty: It covers too many subjects; it is too omnibus. It reaches over too much time.

Justin McCarthy in his "History of Our Times" shows that more important events have been condensed in the present English reign than in all the previous administrations in England since King Ethelred. So it is with the United States.

In the next five years great history will be made rapidly. The status of Cuba, of the Sandwich Islands, of the Nicaragua Canal, of the Alaskan boundary line and many others not now foreseen will in the swift course of modern events arise. Why take from the hands of future administrations and relegate all these important national and international controversies to an iron Board of Arbitration whose decisions will have to be interpreted by succeeding boards ad infinitum, and finally decided by King Oscar, a European prince under the fear and influence of England?

The excessive joy of the English over this treaty should arouse our deep suspicions. The antecedents of Cleveland, without early training or skill in diplomacy, discredited by the people of the United States, not backed even by his own party, do not qualify him to formulate a law for the wonderfully enlightened and intelligent people of the great republic to add to his already too many and too long terms of office another term of Clevelandism, a synonym for blundering.

JAMES M. LORING, Lawyer.
St. Louis, Feb. 2.

As a Farmer Sees It.

To the Editor of the Post-Dispatch.

I was stopping all night with a farmer in the country. It was that first bitter, cold night of the season. The hospitality was of the good old kind, that looks more to the real comfort of the guest than to the style of entertainment. The hour at length came to retire. Mine host bade one of his boys take a smoothing iron, which had been on the stove in the sitting room, and "warm up" the bed in the adjoining room, on which I was to rest during the night. Then, turning, he remarked, in the blandest manner, "We intended to get a stove for that room this winter, but money is so scarce we couldn't get hold of enough to buy it." He continued: "We have a neighbor's son, who was in the employ of a stove manufactory in St. Louis. The factory shut down some time ago, and the young man has been having a lay-off. The reason the factory shut down and my neighbor is out of employment is that I was not able to buy the stove that I needed." My host then proceeded to explain his meaning. He said there were several of his neighbors in need of stoves, and he had no doubt that was the condition in many communities of the country, so that wants of the kind might be estimated by thousands. Now, the reasons these wants were unsupplied was the scarcity of money. People could not get hold of money to buy and the factory had to shut down, and its hands to be thrown out of a job.

Is not mine host's version of the closing of the factory and lay-off of its employes a pointer to the condition of the country generally? Scarce money makes scarce sales. Accumulating unsold and unsalable products depresses operative skill and producing energy. Factories and mills reduce [illegible]

St. Louis, Feb. 2.

CITY NEWS.

Welsh Rarebit.

Bayle's Welsh Rarebit! Packed in jars. Ready for toast or cracker. For sale by leading grocers and caterers.

WEYLER'S ENEMY HAS SPAIN'S EAR.

CANOVAS LISTENS ATTENTIVELY TO THE MARQUIS.

CAPTAIN GENERAL MUST GO.

A Disgrace to the Spanish Nation, at Whose Expense He Has Become a Millionaire.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

HAVANA, Feb. 4.—The sensation of the day is the confirmation of the news from Madrid that the Maruqis of Apezteigia laid before Senor Canovas the proofs of the immoralities in the administration committed by Gen. Weyler, and the danger to Spain herself of his continuance here.

The Marquis said that Weyler is a disgrace to Spain and to the Spanish name; that in less than a year his private fortune has grown to millions, and that the soldiers and loyalists are sufferers from his criminal conduct.

Weyler's decree against the grinding of sugar cane and his destruction of property in the country districts has done more damage to the wealth of Cuba than the revolution itself. His treatment of wealthy men was infamous, when they applied to him for protection. In a word, the recall of Weyler, the Marquis said, would double the probabilities of Spanish success.

The most important news is that Senor Canovas listened attentively to the Marquis and is now consulting him every day about affairs in Cuba. The enemies of Weyler here believe that his recall is now a matter of a few days only, while the official element, interested in the continuance of the present opportunities for plunder, attack the Marquis bitterly.

CUBAN REFORMS.

Queen Regent Signs the Plan for Governing the Island.

MADRID, Feb. 4.—The Queen Regent today signed the plan for the reforms in the Island of Cuba. The text of the document will be published Saturday. The scheme includes numerous and elaborate decrees. It is understood that the reforms consist chiefly in the creation of an assembly, to be called the Council of Administration, composed of thirty-five members, of whom twenty-one are to be elected by the people and six by the different corporations. The remainder will be one magistrate, one university professor, one archbishop and five former Senators or Deputies.

The council of administration is empowered firstly to prepare a budget; secondly, to examine into the fitness of officials appointed; thirdly, to make a tariff subject to the condition of Spanish imports having advantages over the general tariff.

The Governor General will represent the Home Government, and will have the right to nominate officials, who should be Cubans or Spaniards, who have resided two years in Cuba. Nevertheless he may freely nominate high functionaries such as magistrates, prefects, etc.

Other decrees concern the organization of the provisional municipalities, which are to be liberally representative.

The municipal councils general will be empowered to elect their presidents and will have exclusive control of public education.

According to another decree, the Government reserves to itself extraordinary powers in the event of any disturbance of public order, and Cuba will continue to elect Senators and Deputies to the Cortes as at present.

Altogether, the reforms are much broader than those granted to Porto Rico. The powers of the Governor General are much extended, while the Council of Admintstration is fairly representative of all parties and interests. The Spanish Government will continue to vote budgets and treaties for the colonies. The Spanish products, according to the reform scheme, will be allowed a rebate of 40 per cent of the Cuban tariff compared with other imports.

TO CRUSH GOMEZ.

Weyler Has a Plan for Bringing It About.

HAVANA, Feb. 4.—Weyler has left Cruces to lead a Spanish raid upon the Cuban hospitals in the Siguanca Mountains, beyond Cienfuegos.

Weyler has, it would seem, made his proposed destination public with the hope that Gomez, who is in the near vicinity, learning of the butchery planned, may go personally to defend the insurgent wounded and sick. If the rebel leader does this, Weyler believes that he will have him trapped, as the mountains would be immediately surrounded by from 50,000 to 60,000 Spanish troops, who would hold all the strategic points of exit, gradually close in upon and finally crush Gomez.

Autonomists Refuse to Vote.

SAN JUAN DE PORTO RICO, Feb. 4.—The Autonomists of the island have issued a manifesto announcing strong dissatisfaction at the reforms recently granted by Spain. The manifesto states that because of the party's attitude its members will refuse to vote at the coming municipal elections. These elections are the first practical application of the new law.

MR. GOODBAR DENIES.

Answer to R. C. Pope's Suit for $25,000 Damages.

James W. Goodbar has entered a general denial in answer to R. C. Pope's suit for $25,000 damages. Pope wants that amount on account of having been arrested for attempting to get a picture of Mr. Goodbar's daughter without her knowledge or consent.

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From 8 to 10 Friday. Dress Prints for above hours (in basement), per yard... 2c

Apron Ginghams. 1 case of Remnants, really worth 6c, while they last Friday, per yard (in basement)... 4c

Until Noon Friday. 25 cases of snow-white Cotton Batting, worth 10c, Friday forenoon per roll... 5c

Sheeting. Very best make of 6-4 Unbleached Sheeting, worth 15c, Friday, as long as it lasts, per yard... 7½c

Flannel. Heavy blue-gray Scotch Mixed Flannel, worth regularly 15c, Friday, per yard, only... 9c

Apron Lawn. 40 inches wide, with satin striped border, sold elsewhere at 12½c, yd. Friday... 7½c

Valentines. Fancy Card Valentines, in dainty, unique or comic designs, with suitable and appropriate quotations on each, all prices, from 50c down to as low as 3c

Sideboard and Dresser Scarfs, Of Momie Linen, 1¾ and 2 yds. long, with different colored fancy borders and open work, really worth 49c, Friday, your choice... 25c

Button "Seconds." "Seconds" of Pearl Buttons—small or large—plain or engraved—in white, black and smoked, worth up to $2.00 dozen, per dozen... 25c, 15c and 10c

Dress Goods Remnants. Choice of our entire stock of All-wool Remnants in Novelty and Plain Goods, such as are really worth in the piece up to $1.00; take your choice (at per yard)... 25c. Choice from our entire stock of remnants of the finest goods in the market—none better—and worth as high as $2.00, in lengths of from 2 to 7 yards; your choice, per yard... 50c

Silks—Extra quality and latest styles and designs in Spring Taffetas, in every known color and combination; they are well worth $1.00 per yard, but just to create a little diversion we say Friday, per yard... 69c

Velvets—Lyons Silk Velvets (in a broken line of odd colorings). If we had all colors they would sell for $1.00; Friday, your choice, per yard... 23c

Seconds of Embroidery. Friday we place on sale 5000 strips of slightly imperfect but very fine Nainsook and Hamburg Embroideries, in Guipure or Irish Point effects and the richest and daintiest patterns, forming one of the most complete and desirable assortments we have ever shown. Thousands of different patterns, all in 4½-yard lengths, and worth from 20c to 40c per yard; your choice Friday, per yard... 12½c (No pieces cut for less than 20c per yard.)

Soiled Handkerchiefs For a Song. Choice of all our Soiled Handkerchiefs and odd lots, including Ladies' fine hemstitched, Mexican drawn work and embroidered Handkerchiefs, worth up to 25c; to close them out, 4 for 25c, or, each... 7c

A Windfall in Shoes. We give a Boys' Pocket Knife Free with every Pair of Boys' or Youths' Shoes Sold Friday. Youths' best satin calf lace Shoes—razor, opera or square toes—fair stitched—heels or spring heels—sizes 10 to 2—cut from $1.75 and $2.00—Friday, per pair... $1.25. Boys' best calf lace Shoes—hand-welt Soles—razor, round or square toes—sizes 2½ to 6—B and E widths—cut from $3.00; Friday, per pair... $1.49

That Great 59c Sale of MUSLIN UNDERWEAR Continues to electrify and astound the feminine portion of St. Louis. Friday (in addition to the remnant of the 20,000 garments displayed on Monday) we will put on sale 5000 more of the same lot, which were delayed in transit. 59c. Elegant Gowns, in Empire and other styles—Fine Skirt Chemises—Latest Umbrella Skirts—Shapely Corset Covers, Umbrella Drawers, Long and Short Infants' Dresses, etc., in every case made of the very best muslin or cambric, and many of the garments embroidered, hemstitched or trimmed with lace, worth 75c, 85c and 98c. Choice of each and every one at the uniform price of, each... 59c

Special Corset Bargains. For Friday and Saturday we offer these three wonderful Corset values. Grey Coutille Corsets, in all sizes, long-waisted, well-boned and always considered a bargain at 50c, for Friday and Saturday we say... 35c. "J.B." Seconds, made of fine sateen, in grey, white and black, our regular $1.00 and $1.25 Corsets, Friday and Saturday we say... 50c. "W.B" Regular Dollar Corset No. 515, in grey sateen, all sizes, perfect fitting; everybody's price for these is $1.00. Friday and Saturday we say... 75c

Wrappers of fast Indigo Prints, in Mourning patterns, new Persian and Foulard patterns, yards long, all trimmed with braid, and worth $1.00. A Friday Bargain at each (Only 2 to a customer.)... 45c

Dress Skirts of beautiful wool mixtures, well made and lined, velveteen faced, with full sweep, would be a great bargain at $2.00, Friday, each... $1.85

A Great Carpet Chance. We place on sale Friday morning 2000 samples of All-Wool Ingrain Carpets, 1½ yards long. By coming early you may find as many as ten pieces of the same pattern, a fact that has enabled many to cover a small room, or at least for a dining-room drugget. When in rolls these would be worth 65c per yard. Our price Friday, per length... 25c

Table Damask. 1 case of 60-inch fast color Turkey Red and Green Table Damask; also 25 pieces of 54-inch All-Linen Colored Border Table Damask; worth up to 35c. Friday, per yard... 17½c

Groceries from Auction.

On Wednesday last we bought from the Salvage Wrecking Agency of Chicago about $10,000.00 WORTH OF EATABLES, saved from the great fire in the wholesale grocery house of S. H. FLASPOLLER & SON, New Orleans, La., and sold by order of the Underwriters.

The goods are all in perfect condition, of the choicest qualities, and will be slaughtered Friday and Saturday at such prices as will pack our basement with a seething, pushing mass of eager buyers.

Extra salespeople and more delivery wagons engaged for this sale. No limit as to quantity for regular customers, but all dealers barred.

1000 boxes Sardines, in oil, per can	3c	1000 cans Sardines (tomato sauce), can	6c	500 Chests of Tea From the Great Auction Sale.	
1000 sacks Salt, auction price, per sack	3c	1000 cans Corn (Oneida brand), per can	5c	Choice Young Hyson Tea, worth 40c, per lb	19c
1000 cans No. 3 Tomatoes, per can	4c	1000 lbs. pure ground Pepper, per lb	5c	Choice Oolong Tea, worth 40c, per lb	19c
1000 cans Early June Peas, per can	6c	1000 jars Scotch Jams, per jar	11c	Choice Gunpowder Tea, worth 50c, per lb	21c
1000 cans Baked Beans, per can	5c	1000 cans California Egg or Gage Plums, per can	14c	Choice Imperial Tea, worth 50c, per lb	21c
1000 lbs. California Prunes, per lb	5c	1000 cans Bartlett Pears, per can	14c	Fine Imperial Tea, worth 60c, per lb	30c
1000 lbs. Choice Rice, per lb	5c	1000 cans Peaches, per can	14c	Finest English Breakfast Tea, worth 80c	35c
1000 cans String Beans, per can	5c	Fancy Crushed Java Coffee, per lb	14c	Finest India Tea, worth 80c, per lb	35c
1000 cans Baking Powder, (10c size), per can	5c	Fine Java Coffee, per lb	17½c	Finest Sun-Dried Japan Tea, worth 80c, per lb	35c
1000 cans Gooseberries, per can	6c	500 boxes Extra Family Soap, per box of 110 bars	$2.19		

Another Car Load of Granite Ware Seconds From the St. Louis Stamping Co., at 20c on the Dollar, ON SALE FRIDAY. 8-inch Fry Pans, Covered Buckets, Wash Basins, 2-quart Saucepans or Kettles, Brick Loaf Pans, Sponge Cake or Biscuit Pans, etc., worth up to 50c; your choice Friday, each... 9c. A special lot of Granite Iron Cuspidores, always before sold at 49c; Friday Price, each... 15c. Rice Boilers, 4-quart Covered Saucepans, 5-quart Cooking Kettles, 10-quart Dish Pans, 7-quart Preserving Kettles, 12-quart Water Pails, etc., worth from 39c up to 55c, Our Price Friday, each... 25c. Pit Bottom Coffee Boilers, first quality Teakettles, 14-quart Water Buckets, 6-qt. Tea or Coffee Pots, 7-quart Saucepans, 6-quart Covered Sauce Kettles, etc., worth up to 89c, Choice Friday, each... 39c

Sleds for the Boys AT HALF PRICE! Hardwood bent knee, steel-braced Sleds, handsomely finished; also hardwood spring Shoe Coasters, worth 49c; your choice Friday, each... 25c. Handsome 3-knee steel-braced Sleds, in different styles, worth from 98c up to $1.49, each... 69c

Basement Bargains. Always a Money Saving Down Here, No Matter What You Purchase.

Dress Goods—sample pieces in one-third finest imported Wool Dress Goods, mostly black, worth 25c a yard in the piece; Friday, each... 1c

Outing Flannelette—Mill lengths, worth 10c; Friday, per yard... 5c

Canton Flannel—heavy bleached or unbleached Canton Flannel that would be cheap at 9c; Friday, per yard... 6c

Pillow Casing—York Mill ends of best grade, 45 and 54 inches wide and worth up to 20c; Friday, per yard... 7½c

Unbleached Sheeting—of best quality, 2 yards wide, in lengths from 2 to 10 yards, worth 18c; Friday, per yard... 9c

Hosiery and Knit Underwear. Children's Fast Black 1x1 Ribbed Cotton Hose, full regular made, in all sizes, from 5 to 9½, worth regularly 15c; Friday, per pair... 9c. 1 CASE ONLY of Ladies' Extra Fine imported Cotton Hose, full regular made, in assorted colors... 2 pairs for 35c; per pair... 17c. "Seconds" of Infants' and Children's Fine Jersey Ribbed White Merino Shirts, worth from 25c to 50c; Friday, each... 12½c. Odd lots of Extra Fine White and Natural Jersey Ribbed Wool Vests and Natural Wool Union Suits, worth up to $1.50; Friday, your choice, each... 69c

Soiled Smyrna Rugs. Very Best Quality Smyrna Rugs, only slightly soiled, in sizes worth regularly $2.25 and $2.75; Friday, each... $1.50

Special Sale of Down Pillows, (3d floor) Divided in Four Lots.

18x18 inches, worth 58c, each	20x20 inches, worth 75c, each	22x22 inches, worth 98c, each	24x24 inches, worth $1.25, each
25c	35c	45c	60c

FANS ARE MUCH IN THE DARK.

VON DER AHE SEEMS TO HAVE COMPLETELY DISAPPEARED.

HE MAY BE IN CINCINNATI.

If the Magnates Speak Truly the St. Louis-Cleveland-Cincinnati Deal Has Fallen Through.

DEAL No. 2 has to all appearances fallen through, and the only thing Von der Ahe's trip to Cleveland did was to cause a great deal of talk and raise fallen hopes in the breasts of the St. Louis fans.

Chris left Clevelond Wednesday for St. Louis. He did not arrive here Thursday morning, and Muckenfuss, who claims to be ignorant of all deals, and even of "der boss'" whereabouts, does not expect him home until Friday morning. All this time could not be spent on the train, and Von der Ahe is no doubt in Cincinnati conferring with President Brush.

Before leaving Cleveland Von der Ahe and Robison both denied that any big deal had been made or even considered. Robison admitted that Von der Ahe was exceedingly anxious to strengthen the St. Louis team, but that he could not get any of the players of the Cleveland team, notwithstanding the report that the Cleveland Club would lend to the St. Louis Club Pitchers Cuppy and Wallace, Second Baseman Childs and Shortstop McKean in exchange for Catcher Douglass, Pitcher Kissinger, Shortstop Cross and Outfielder Parrott and certain profits.

"Von der Ahe only brought a satchel with him," said Robison, "and he would need a trunk to carry enough coin to land any of the players named in the dispatches."

It was reported that Robison had offered the St. Louis magnate a colt pitcher and a cash bonus for one of Von der Ahe's best hitting outfielders.

Mr. Muckenfuss admits that Mr. Von der Ahe will exchange Parrott for someone, and in all probability he will be the man to go to Cleveland.

Despite the denials of all concerned there is no doubt but that there is a big scheme on foot, in which St. Louis is a center figure. Whatever it is, however, will be kept quiet until the League meeting in Baltimore this month.

When Mr. Von der Ahe returns he will bring with him the right to put "Bug" Holliday in a St. Louis uniform and turn Connor over to Cincinnati in exchange.

One thing is sure, and that is that Von der Ahe did not go to Cleveland without a purpose in view, and he would hardly return so soon unless something had been accomplished.

A dispatch from Cincinnati Thursday afternoon said that President Brush had gone to Indianapolis and that Von der Ahe had probably followed him there.

ONLY ONE REPRESENTATIVE

Will St. Louis Have in the Great Chicago Six-Day Race.

Elaborate arrangements have been perfected whereby what promises to be the largest and most successful six-day 142 hours' bicycle race ever held will take place in Chicago the week commencing Feb. 21. Nothing is being left undone by the Chicago Cycle Racing Association, under whose auspices the race will be held, to make the race a record breaker in more than one respect. The race will be held in Tattersall's Building on a specially constructed track. The track will be designed by the architect who prepared the plans for the speedy Coliseum circuit. The speedway will be constructed with a view of meeting the requirements of long distance riders. It will not be steeply banked.

Although the race is two weeks' distant great enthusiasm is apparent all over the country in cycling circles. Some of the best known long and short distance racers have signified their intention of entering the contest. Among them are Louis Gimm, holder of the American twenty-four hour path record; Arthur E. Smith, who holds the Chicago-New York overland record, and many other creditable long distance records.

St. Louis will have but one representative in the race. Henry Stewart, the colored lad who won out at the meet held by the colored cyclists two years ago at the Pastime track, is in Chicago hard at work getting into shape. He will in all probability be the only colored starter in the big event.

Stewart is a game, hard rider, with wonderful endurance, and has a great chance to bring first money back to St. Louis.

FOR SUNDAY RACING.

California Will Fight for It at the League Meeting.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 4.—Frank K. Kerrigan, chief consul for the North California Division League of American Wheelmen, and Robert Welsh, the coast member of the Racing Board, are en route to Albany, N. Y., to attend the National Assembly of the League. Their chief object in making the trip is to make a fight for the local option clause, which carries with it the right of any division to make laws which will govern Sunday racing.

Sunday is a day of recreation in California and cycle race meets held on other days have proven to be financial failures. The gentlemen mentioned carry with them the proxies of other delegates and will make a determined effort to scure the passage of the clause which will permit of Sunday racing in sections desiring it.

CHICAGO'S BIG SHOW.

An Athletic Tournament That Will Be a Wonder.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—If all of the present plans are successfully carried out Chicago will have, in April, one of the largest military and athletic carnivals ever attempted in this country.

The plans are fostered by two powerful organizations, the Amateur Athletic Union of America and the Chicago association. Col. I. M. Hamberger of the latter body returned from New York a few days ago and soon after had a long consultation with F. E. Pettet, President of the club. The Colonel told Mr. Pettet that the Governing Board of the Union wished to duplicate the Madison Square Garden carnival in Chicago.

It is planned to have the carnival take place in the Coliseum, beginning April 19. The competitions will be open to the athletes in the various regiments and the regular army, not only at Fort Sheridan, but in the entire United States.

WANTS THE FIGHT BADLY.

Virginia City Puts in a Strong Bid of $10,000.

CARSON, Nev., Feb. 4—The dispatch from San Francisco announcing that United States Judge McKenna and others had declared that the Federal Government had no right to interfere and prevent the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight in Nevada has caused great rejoicing here.

Virginia City is putting in a strong bid for the fight, offering $10,000 cash. The Enterprise prints a list of hotels and lodging-houses and the number of people they can hold, giving an estimate of 15,000 in all. The fighters themselves, however, are to be considered, and neither will hardly consent to fight at such a great elevation. It is nearly 7,000 feet above the sea level.

The bill introduced by Senator Mills to reduce the rate of admission will probably be allowed to sleep its sleep in the committee and never be called up. Orders for quarters in the hotels are coming in from all parts of the country.

CORBETT A FAVORITE.

Westerners Have Big Money to Bet on the Champion.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Feb. 4.—When the news came over the wires that Al Smith of New York had $40,000 to bet on Corbett at odds of 7 to 10, the sports at this end prophesied that more money would change hands over the match in Nevada than over the Corbett-Sullivan fight.

A. B. Daniels, who is said to act as agent of Phil Dwyer, said that he had some Corbett money to invest. As a feeler he was willing to bet $1,000 against $800 that Corbett would win, or if any of Fitzsimmons' friends cared for the fancy wager, he would lay $10,000 against $9,000 that the match would go in Corbett's favor. None of the offers found takers. Harry Corbett, brother of Jim, offered to bet $200 against $1,000 that Jim would win in eight rounds or less.

Hood's Pills

Win favor everywhere because they are so easy to take, so gentle yet reliable, in fact perfectly satisfactory as a family cathartic. Cure sick headache, biliousness, indigestion, nausea, bad taste. 25c.

THE SENATE MAY KILL IT.

Sunday Base Ball Bill Is Now Before That Body.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—The action of the House in passing the bill prohibiting Sunday base ball and other games continues to be the reigning topic of discussion here.

The jeering manner in which the staid and dignified Senators received the bill when it was passed over to that body yesterday gives rise to the belief that the measure will meet an early death. However, legislation is not always easy to forecast, and there might be such a thing as the Senate passing the bill. The sporting element has but little, if any, representation in the Senate, yet it is believed that the majority of the Senators look upon such a measure as being very generally unpopular, especially in the cities.

Joseph Lucas, the well known St. Louis horseman, is here in the interest of a bill to legalize the selling of pools and bookmaking on legitimate races. The bill has not yet been introduced, but it probably will be soon. It is understood that this bill is intended to kill the anti-pool bills now pending in both branches of the Legislature.

Looking for Quarters.

SALT LAKE, Feb. 4.—E. G. Cook of New York, representing James J. Corbett, is in this city on his way to Carson City, Nev., to look over the situation with a view to selecting training quarters for Corbett near the scene of the coming battle.

Sporting Notes.

Chicago counts on great things from its new pitcher, Callahan, of the Kansas Citys.

It is possible that Billy Nash will have his home position this season, and play short for the Philadelphias.

There is no longer any doubt about Dan McLeod's right to the title of champion catch-as-catch-can wrestler of the world. McLeod has made Farmer Burns, the alleged champion, take a heavy drop.

Old Man Anson does not seem to be afraid of the average athlete's nightmare—growing stale from too much training. The old man of the game is already down to playing weight, and rarely misses a day that he does not put in most of the afternoon playing handball.

When Corbett was training at Mayport, Fla., for his contest with Charley Mitchell, the well-known California sportsman and millionaire, Porter Ashe, was one of his training party. This time a wealthy Chicago amateur named Dr. Pine will go with him to his training quarters and stay there until the fight comes off.

The Association Foot Ball League met Wednesday evening and arranged a schedule for next Sunday's games. A team to oppose the Chicago Thistles will be chosen at the next meeting.

There will be a match game of cocked hat between two picked teams at the Crescent alleys Friday night.

The first cycle meet of the year took place at Jacksonville, Fla., Wednesday.

Local speculators are holding Corbett an 8 to 10 favorite for the coming battle, with little Fitzsimmons money in sight.

Montreal is getting into gala attire preparatory to the opening of the international amateur skating competitions for the championship of the world in distance skating, which opens Friday.

"Scrappy Bill" Joyce, manager and captain of the New York base ball team, said that he had ordered his men to report between March 10 and 15, on whatever day suited their convenience. If hard work counts for anything, the New Yorks should stand well up in the race during the coming season.

Leo Mayer & Co., southwest corner of Seventh and St. Charles, best odds against 'Frisco, New Orleans and Iron Hill races.

New Missouri Corporations.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Feb. 4.—The Secretary of State to-day chartered the following companies:

Annex Realty Co. of St. Louis, capital $25,000; incorporators, E. D. O'Reilly, J. H. Scholten and G. B. O'Reilly.

Brynes-Rumsey Manufacturing Co. of St. Louis, capital $10,000; incorporators, J. W. Brynes, Edwin Rumsey and M. J. Brynes.

National Paper Box Co. of Kansas City, capital $9,000; incorporators, J. H. Leggett, G. F. Witzig and I. Witzig.

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SUGAR-CURED HAMS—Per Pound... 10c
Clean Cooking Salt, 12 pounds for... 5c
Good and Sound Nutmegs, 10 for... 5c
Ohio Cream Cheese, rich flavor, per pound... 12c
Corn Meal—fresh from the mill—peck... 10c
Choice Manzanilla Olives—full quart jar... 23c
Pineapple Sliced, per 2-pound can... 7c
Guatamala Coffee, rich, fresh roasted—per pound... 28c
Waltke's Extra Family Soap—12c bars for... 10c
BRANDY, CALIFORNIA—4-Year-Old—per bottle... 50c

WRITE FOR CATALOGUE.

"A FAIR FACE MAY PROVE A FOUL BARGAIN." MARRY A PLAIN GIRL IF SHE USES SAPOLIO

CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD.

Charges Brought by the Atchison Against Three Men.

WICHITA, Kan., Feb. 4.—A special to the Beacon from Purcell, I. T., says:

Before United States Commissioner J. B. Thompson, A. S. Brown, night bill clerk for the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad Company at this place; J. M. Rearick, ex-station agent for the same road at Newkirk, O. T., and D. O. Wilson, grain dealer of Bolton, Tex., were called to answer a charge of conspiracy to defraud the Atchison Railway, and were allowed bail in the sum of $1,500 in the first case. There are 37 similar cases pending against them.

THE CURSE

Of mankind—contagious blood poison—claimed as its victim Mr. Frank B. Martin, 926 Pennsylvania Avenue, Washington, D. C., and the usual physician's treatment did him not the slightest good. His condition reached that deplorable stage which only this terrible disease can produce.

THE CURE

After all else failed, was at last found in S. S. S.—the greatest of all blood remedies. Eighteen bottles removed the disease permanently, and left his skin without a blemish.

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CASH $5.00 and $5.00 A MONTH ON ALL KINDS OF FURNITURE, STOVES AND RANGES, CARPETS and everything for housekeeping 50 per cent cheaper than any house up town. Take the Broadway cable cars to FRITSCH'S NEW FURNITURE, STOVE AND CARPET CO. Stores: 1509, 1511, 1513, 1515 and 1517 SOUTH BROADWAY. Bring this ad. and get a Fine CALENDAR 1897. OPEN UNTIL 9 O'CLOCK EVERY NIGHT.

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STOCKHOLDERS' MEETING.

THE regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the State Bank of St. Louis, for the election of seven directors, will be held at its banking rooms, southwest corner Fourth and Locust streets, on Monday, February 8th, 1897. Polls open from 9 a. m. to 12 m. CHARLES PARSONS, President. J. H. McCLUNEY, Cashier.

AMUSEMENTS.

STANDARD. Matinee at 2. Night at 8. Matinee Every Day. FLYNN AND SHERIDAN CITY SPORTS BURLESQUE COM'Y. Next Week—Irwin Bros.' Burlesque Co.

AMUSEMENTS.

HAVLIN'S Night Prices, 15c, 25c, 35c and 50c. Matinees Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday. MAGGIE CLINE "ON BROADWAY" 25c Bargain Matinee To-Day. Next Sun. Mat.—Frederick de Belleville—The Last Stroke.

EXTRA! EXTRA! EXTRA! SEATS NOW ON SALE. HAVLIN'S Next Sunday Matinee and Night. The Biggest and Most Important Production of the Season, THE LAST STROKE! The only play in existence dealing directly with the question of the hour, Cuba's gallant struggle for freedom. Splendid company, including Mr. FREDERIC DE BELLEVILLE. ONE HUNDRED PEOPLE ON THE STAGE.

CENTURY THEATER. MATINEE SATURDAY. D-E-L-L-A F-O-X AND HER COMIC OPERA CO. Direction S. T. King, in "THE LITTLE TROOPER." Next Sunday—ROLAND REED.

SEAT SALE TO-DAY. ROLAND REED In His Latest Success, The Wrong Mr. Wright.

HOPKINS' GRAND OPERA-HOUSE. First Appearance Here in Vaudeville of the Great Comic Opera Prima Donna, PAULINE HALL, And a Great Vaudeville Bill. The Stock Co. in the Comedy Drama, "PINK DOMINOES." All for 10-20-30. No higher.

FOURTEENTH STREET THEATER—14th and Locust. SHANNON OF THE SIXTH. Introducing the young American Comedian, MR. W. H. POWER. 50c—Matinee Saturday—50c. Night prices 25c, 50c, 75c and $1.00. Next week—Marvelous Anna Eva Fay. Tel. 961.

OLYMPIC Matinee Saturday, FEDORA. ...FANNY... DAVENPORT Supported by Melbourne MacDowell. To-Night (Thurs.) and Friday Night... GISMONDA. Saturday Matinee... FEDORA. Saturday Night... LA TOSCA.

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THE HAGAN. Continuous Vaudeville. Performances Daily, 12:30 to 10:30. 10 20 30 CINEMATOGRAPHE, NEW VIEWS THIS WEEK. HILDA THOMAS, FRANK BERRY, BILLY VAN, ADA MELROSE, ELLEN VETTER, HERR LANGSLOW, And a host of others. Note—Parquet reserved, 50c.

EXPOSITION MUSIC HALL, Friday Evening, Feb. 5. NORDICA. IN ONE GRAND OPERATIC CONCERT. Mme. Sofia Scalchi, Contralto; Barron Berthald, Tenor; J. C. Dempsey, Barytone; and Isadore Luckstone, Conductor and Grand Orchestra—Last Act of IL TROVATORE. With Costumes, Scenery, Paraphernalia, etc. Prices 50c, 75c, $1.00, $1.50 and $2.00. Seats on sale at Thiebes-Stierlin Music Co., 1118 Olive st.

WIDOW JONES OUT ON A LARK.

SHOPPING TOUR WOUND UP AT THE CITY HOSPITAL.

WAS SANDBAGGED AND ROBBED.

Highwayman Saw She Had Been Celebrating, Slugged Her and Stole Her Purse and Pawn Tickets.

Mrs. Mary Jones, a widow, living at Wellston, was knocked down and robbed at Ninth street and Washington avenue at 8:30 o'clock Wednesday night.

She was picked up in an unconscious condition and taken to the City Hospital, where it was found her injuries were slight.

Mrs. Jones is about 40 years old and is stylishly dressed. She first gave the name of Amy Wilkinson, but admitted that was not her name. She was not inclined to talk and endeavored to avoid notoriety.

Questioned closely, she said she was Mrs. Mary Jones and that she lived at Wellston. Wednesday afternoon she came to the city to do some shopping. She met a lady and gentleman acquaintance whose names she refused to disclose. They went to Faust's for dinner. Mrs. Jones admits they drank considerable and she was somewhat affected by it when she started for home.

Mrs. Jones had visited a store on Washington avenue. As she started across Ninth street to take a Suburban car a man emerged from the shadow of a building and struck her from behind with a sand bag. She fell unconscious. The highwayman went through her pockets, took her purse and ran.

Mrs. Jones carried her purse in her skirt pocket and her assailant lost some time in locating it. As he stepped away from his prostrate victim he was seen by John Fox of 922 Wash street.

Fox shouted to the man to halt, but the robber only ran the faster. Fox saw Patrolman Fruin of the Fourth District and reported the occurrence to him. The woman was sent to the City Hospital unconscious and Patrolman Fruin began a search for the highwayman.

At Sixth and Biddle streets he saw John McComish, who answered the description given by Fox. McComish was arrested and taken to the Fourth District Police Station. He denied his guilt, but when he was searched a woman's purse was found in his pocket. It contained $4.55 in cash and a number of pawn tickets. The tickets called for two diamond rings, one pair of diamond ear-rings, three neck chains, one locket, a gold cross, a handkerchief-holder, a gold thimble and several other pieces of jewelry.

When the purse was found McComish admitted he had robbed the woman. He said he did not know who she was. She was well dressed, he said, and appeared to be under the influence of liquor and he knocked her down and robbed her.

The pawn tickets were issued from Geo. Walker's loan office.

Mrs. Jones begged that the matter be kept from the newspapers. She said she was a widow and that it was the first time she had ever drank too much and she would be disgraced if her friends at Wellston learned of her escapade.

Mrs. Jones will apply for a warrant.

LAURA LARIMORE'S DEATH.

Her Mind Came Back Before She Breathed Her Last.

After three months of mental aberration, Laura Larimore died at 10:30 o'clock Wednesday morning at her parents' home, 1201 North Garrison avenue.

Miss Larimore was the daughter of William T. Larimore, a prominent stock dealer, whose family is one of the oldest in St. Louis. The misfortune that shocked her family and friends overtook her last November. Although only in her 19th year, she was already known for her deeds of charity and her devotion to her religious duties. She was a member of the First Methodist Church, and was closely identified with church work. She was the type of a sweet, Christian young woman.

Two years before she had suffered with spinal meningitis from which, the physicians afterward said, she never fully recovered. In November her mind began to fail.

A complete transformation ensued. It became necessary on the advice of physicans to place her where she would receive constant care and treatment. To conform to the requirements she was first placed in the City Hospital for observation. Her mother attended her there night and day until her removal to the State institution. She remained there but a few days, when she was taken home by Mr. Larimore at her own earnest solicitation and with the consent of the physicians.

Dr. Arthur E. Mink was called in. She improved under his treatment, and two days before she lapsed into the final stupor his efforts were rewarded by the restoration of her faculties.

Then she lapsed into unconsciousness, remaining eight days in the stupor before death came.

Death was due to a blood clot on the brain, following inflammation, which was the result of her illness of two years before.

At 2 o'clock Thursday afternoon the last loving tribute was paid. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. C. L. Smith, the young girl's pastor.

THEY'RE AFTER TONY STEUVER.

Police Commissioner Has His Troubles and He Tells 'Em.

Police Commissioner Tony Steuver is losing heart and says he is thinking of resigning his position. His threat of resignation is supposed to be only talk, however. He was telling his troubles to Commissioner Dr. Otto Forster Wednesday afternoon.

"Doc, I'm getting too popular since I've been a Commissioner, even if I ain't confirmed yet," said Mr. Steuver. "They are all after me; I have had to put two men outside my door at the brewery. When there was only one they would follow him into the office. They hunt me down on the street and everywhere they can get sight of me. But collectors and book agents ain't a circumstance to them.

"When they can't get at me themselves they send the women and children—actually send their wives in to tell me what a good Commissioner I am. It's awful, Doc, ain't it? Do they do you that way, too?"

"Doc" said "yes;" that he had just as much sorrow with the grand position as Tony Steuver did, so they both took a cigar and went out on the street to dodge disguised patrolmen and sergeants who only lacked the appointment to make them the best in the land.

VANDERBERG REARRESTED.

The Negro Mary Krueger Identified Has Been Indicted.

Richard Vanderberg, the negro accused of assaulting 15-year-old Mary Krueger, has been indicted by the St. Louis County Grand-jury. He was arrested in a church near his home, 5719 Prescott avenue.

Miss Krueger was assaulted on the St. Cyr road Dec. 24. Vanderberg was arrested, but established an alibi to the satisfaction of a Justice of the Peace.

WANT TROLLEY CARS.

But the Suburbanites Can't Raise Enough Money.

Several of the towns in the southwestern part of the county are making an effort to secure an electric railway. The difficulty lies in securing sufficient money to grade and lay cross-ties along the route, as is required by the Union Depot Railway in case an extension of the line is made. This will cost $6,000, and the proposed plan of assessment will raise only about $3,000.

A Good Black Skirt, —PRICE $1.00 PRICE— well lined, right shape, velvet edge.

Plaid Skirt, several colors and patterns, —PRICE $1.25 PRICE— excellent for Misses and Young Ladies. A bargain.

How can it be so good a skirt for little money? —PRICE $1.98 PRICE— BLACK CREPONS, a fine skirt, worth $3.00.

Silk Mixed Cloths, blue and black, green and black, fashionable colorings, worn with any waist. —PRICE $2.50 PRICE— Real bargains here.

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All-Wool Crepons, Diagonals, Serges, Cheviots and Boucle Cloths, Price $3.98 Price. Superior materials; the best Skirts—can be made new shapes, full linings, full width and velvet finish.

Buying Skirts ready to wear saves worry and money. We do that for you. Always pleased to show our skirts. We know you can convince yourself that we understand the skirt business. Call any time.

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SOCIETY FOLK WERE KEPT BUSY.

ROUND OF ENTERTAINMENTS OPENED THE WEEK.

DAUGHTERS OF REVOLUTION.

Officers and Delegates Elected—Wednesday Club's Reception to Mrs. Ruth McEnery Stuart.

The visit of Mrs. Ruth McEnery Stuart to the city has proved the occasion for numerous informal luncheons and teas in her honor. She was entertained by the Wednesday Club on Tuesday afternoon at their club rooms in the Y. M. C. A. building, Grand and Franklin avenues. The receiving party was composed of Mrs. E. C. Cushman, President; Mrs. John Green, Vice-President; Mrs. J. W. Moreton, Miss Sarah E. Tower and Miss Cornelia Fisher, all of them officers and directors, who assisted in the reception and entertainment of their guest.

The Daughters of the American Revolution, at their annual meeting last week, elected officers for the ensuing year. Mrs. George Shields, who has proved a most efficient Chapter Regent during the past year was re-elected by acclamation. For Vice-Regents, Mrs. Dr. H. N. Spencer, Mrs. Western Bascome; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Lucy Page Hardaway; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary Triplett; Treasurer, Mrs. Wallace Delafield; Historian, Miss Mary Fogg. Delegates were appointed to attend the annual convention at Washington, D. C., this week—Mrs. Margaret De Wolf, Mrs. Sidney B. Thayer and Mrs. Charles Rogers. Mrs. Shields and Mrs. Western Bascome will also be present at the annual meeting of the D. A. R.'s. Both of these ladies are now in the East. Mrs. Shields visiting her daughter in Boston and Mrs. Bascome her niece, Mr. Carr, in New York City.

The opening days of the week have been marked by numerous social functions. The Monday Musical Dancing Club gave their usual ball Monday evening at Mahler's. Miss Nellie Battle gave an informal dance.

The Young Ladies' Minstrel Club gave an entertainment at Mahler's Monday evening for the benefit of St. Peter's Church. A brilliant ball was given by Mrs. William Thornburg in honor of Mrs. Cornell and Miss Cornell of Buffalo, N. Y.

Miss Alice Drey's marriage to Dr. Gustav Lippman was the fashionable function for Tuesday in Hebrew circles. The concerts of the Tuesday Musicale and Morning Choral at Entertainment Hall were high social events. Mrs. Bolland gave a luncheon Tuesday afternoon at the Mercantile Club.

Gossip.

Mr. and Mrs. George Whitelaw are wintering in California.

Miss Bella Wells is spending a year abroad. She sailed from San Francisco for Japan and from there went to Bombay with Mr. and Mrs. Harris of New York. She will devote considerable time to travel in the Orient.

Miss Marie Hayes is in Washington, D. C., visiting the family of Col. and Mrs. John Hancock. She went East to attend the Hare-Lippincott wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. John Scudder and their daughter, Miss Belle Scudder will spend the remainder of the season in Southern California.

Mrs. Harry Hayes after a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Green, has returned to her home in Cleveland, O.

Mrs. Clinton Rowell is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Veeder, from New York.

Mrs. R. E. Woodward of Chicago has been visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Stewart.

Mrs. M. J. Mead and her daughter, Miss Bertha Mead, have returned to Pittsburg, after visiting St. Louis relatives.

Miss Keebler, after a visit to Miss Lucille Overstolz, returned Saturday to Kansas City.

Mrs. Edwin Harrison was called to Glasgow last week by the death of her aunt, Mrs. Herndon. She had just returned from Kansas City, where she represented the Humanity Club at the meeting of the Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Gabriel Sylvester Myerson and daughters have returned from Cheyenne, where they expected to reside, and have settled again in St. Louis. They are at 1830 Victor street.

Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Burr have returned from a visit of a month to friends in Mobile, Ala.

Miss Estelle M. Huff of Ironton, who has been visiting St. Louis friends, has gone to New York city to study elocution.

Mrs. A. L. Farr has returned from Philadelphia and is located at 3836 Delmar boulevard.

Miss Margaret Prentis, after visiting relatives in Lexington, Va., is now with the family of her uncle, Judge Robert Prentis of Suffolk, Va.

Mrs. James Scudder is spending the winter in Covington, La.

Miss Elizabeth Winn is with her grandmother, Mrs. J. L. Winn of Vandeventer place, while continuing her studies at Mary Institute. Her mother, Mrs. John D. Winn, has gone to Virginia to reside permanently.

Miss Lillie Harper, after spending several weeks with relatives in New Orleans, has gone to Hot Springs.

Mrs. Delia Meysenberg, accompanied by her daughter, is spending six months in Europe.

Mrs. Anna Gauss has been spending the past two or three months with relatives in the South. Her marriage to Mr. Maurice Bolingbroke of New Orleans is announced to take place in the spring.

Judge Henry L. Edmunds and wife have rented their home on Westminster place and are living with Mr. Edmunds' mother and sister.

Mrs. Anna Saybach is recovering from a severe illness.

Miss Jessie Reed of 4301 West Belle place has returned from a visit East.

Mrs. Edward Blair has returned to Kansas City after a visit to her father, Dr. Papin, at Beers Hotel.

Mrs. Bostick of Delmar avenue is entertaining Miss Love Bright of Jackson, Tenn.

Miss Flynn of Altoona, Ill., has been visiting her brother, Mr. William Flynn of 1720 Lucas place.

Mr. and Mrs. Bronson Keeler and sons, Paul and Donald, are located at 3026 Morgan street. Mr. Keeler has given up his out-of-town business and become interested in newspaper work.

Mrs. William Bagnell and little daughter of Westmoreland place have left for Southern California.

Miss Ethel Allen gave a dinner Tuesday evening at her home on Forest Park boulevard in honor of Miss Tapp of Louisville.

Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Wing are located at 3815 Washington boulevard.

Miss Gibson, who will shortly marry Mr. Lee Arnold of Columbia, Mo., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Roddy of Belle place.

Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Edmunds, who have returned to St. Louis to reside, have quite a bevy of pretty daughters. Two of them, Misses Virginia and Mary Edmunds, are grown and their son Sterling, Jr., is ready to enter society. Mr. and Mrs. Edmunds have taken a house on School street.

Miss Margaret Blodgett has gone to Washington to visit Mrs. Stocking, a daughter of Chief Justice Fuller.

The friends of Mr. Will Dancey, who was well known in St. Louis society, where he resided for several years with his sister, Mrs. Charles Wesson, will be sorry to hear of his death, which took place recently in Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Morgan of 3029 Morgan street gives a reception to-day at 4 o'clock in compliment to Mrs. McCaffery.

Miss Forbes of 3027 Morgan street gives a reception and "5 o'clock tea" this afternoon in honor of Miss Emerson.

Miss Lucy Leonard of Upper Alton came to attend the Corse-Montague nuptials last week, and is the guest of friends in this city.

Mrs. Charles Buckner has returned to her home in Mexico, after two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Duncan of 3402 Morgan street.

Col. and Mrs. Richard Dalton have returned from a visit to their country home at Saverton, Mo.

Miss Dora Schweich has returned from Malden, Mo., where she visited her sister, Mrs. A. Lebermuth. She is now with her sister, Mrs. F. Stadler of 4012 Page avenue.

Mrs. Walter Kurd of 4057 West Belle place is entertaining her mother from Mississippi.

Mrs. Frolecking, from Avondale, a suburb of Cincinnati, is the guest of her uncle, Mr. Alfred Bevis.

Mrs. D. R. Aldridge has arrived from New York, and is visiting her mother, Mrs. S. A. Gaylord, for a week.

The Misses Grunner of Fountain place entertained the C. and F. W. Euchre Club on last Wednesday afternoon. The club will be entertained next by Miss Nellie Sutter of Page boulevard.

The T. and Ts. were entertained by Miss Immell at her home on Newstead avenue last Saturday. Two literary contests were enjoyed, for which prizes were awarded to Miss Adelaide V. Kennedy and Rosalind Harris.

Miss Anna Louise Middleton, who has been visiting in Michigan and Canada for the past five months, has returned to her home on Lafayette avenue.

Miss Annie L. Fagin has returned from a delightful trip to New Haven.

Miss Paula Metz of New York is the guest of her cousins, Mrs. Henry Glaser and Mrs. Charles Newman of 5079 Cabanne avenue.

Mrs. William Booth of Washington avenue leaves soon for the East, to be gone several weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Phelan will go to New Orleans in February to spend several weeks in the Crescent City and Vicksburg, Mrs. Phelan's former home.

Dr. and Mrs. Senter Gettys have returned from the East and are located for the present with Dr. Getty's mother at 2924 Lucas avenue, until they go to housekeeping in March.

Mrs. Richmond Smith has given up her home on Vernon avenue, and is located with her daughter, Mrs. Harry Seamon, at Forty-first and Morgan streets.

Mrs. William Wise of Pine street is convalescent after a severe illness.

Miss Winnifred Payore of Keokuk was in the city last week for a few days visiting her aunt, Mrs. S. W. Young. Miss Payore was on her way to New York to attend a finishing school.

Dr. R. E. Wilson of Jennings, Mo., and Miss Kate Negus of 1810 Benton street were quietly married at the rectory of the Grace Church, Jan. 20, by the Rev. J. P. T. Ingraham. Only the immediate members of the families were present. Dr. and Mrs. Wilson will make St. Louis their future home.

Miss Mayme Price of Kansas City is the guest for this week of her sister, Mrs. J. Will Bremser of Chamberlain Park.

A party was tendered Mr. Morris Scott by his aunt, Mrs. C. S. Yost, at her residence, 1257 Garrison avenue, Tuesday evening. Dancing and games were indulged in. The principal amusement was the telling of fortunes by a palmist, who was unknown to the guests.

Among those present were: Misses Nettie Jordan, Corinne Pearson, Mabel Degge, Estelle Morrison, Pauline Stewart, Monta Scott, Naidiene Willet, Fanny Evans and Messrs. Ed O'Connor, Will Keevil, Clarence Miller, Will Cochran, John Crabb, Will Achuff, Irving Harris, Harry Bacon, and Joseph Murray.

The euchre party given by the "Lady Maccabees" Tuesday evening proved a great success. Handsome prizes were awarded and music was a feature of the evening.

Mrs. Elisabeth Marie Roberts will be married next Wednesday evening to Mr. Tree MacCarthy of the Jas. W. Scudder Grocery Co.

Miss Kathleen McLaughlin of 4128 Pleasant street has returned from Springfield, where she was the guest of Miss Celia Redlick.

Tuesday afternoon a delightful entertainment was given in the hall of the Convent of the Immaculate Conception, at Belleville, Ill., by the pupils of the different departments of the convent school, presided over by the school Sisters de Notre Dame. The programme consisted of music, recitations, calisthenics drills and tableaux. A large audience was in attendance, and were so highly pleased that a repetition of the exercises has been requested.

There doesn't seem to be very much the matter with your child. He doesn't actually lose weight, but there is no gain. He belongs to that large class of children that don't seem to prosper. You look at him a little more thoughtfully than you do at the rest and say "He is not doing well." Failure to gain in weight in a child is a danger signal. Scott's Emulsion should be taken at once. It puts on fat where health demands it, strengthening the digestion.

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COUNTY GRAND-JURY.

Judge Hirzel of Clayton Receives the Final Report.

The St. Louis County Grand-jury has made its report to Judge Hirzel. The county officers were complimented on the neat condition in which their books were found. It was recommended that the jail be strengthened by putting in a new lot of steel bars, and the court was asked to instruct the justices of the peace to make more explicit reports of fines and fees collected.

The Grand-jury found fourteen true bills. They are: Joseph Laraviere, burglary and larceny, two counts; Joseph Woolfolk, two cases of burglary and larceny and one case of embezzlement; Monroe Terry, grand larceny; Joseph Bailey, assault to kill. The others will not be made public until the defendants are under arrest.

DELIRIUM CAUSED DEATH.

Wm. Harrington Died From Overexertion and Exposure While Ill.

Exposure and over-exertion caused the death of Wm. Harrington of 317 Market street Wednesday night. Harrington lived on the second floor at the number mentioned. For some time he has been sick. Wednesday night, while delirious, he sprang from his bed and hurled a lighted lamp through a window. The curtain fire and Harrington made an effort to rush out of the room.

Harrington's octoroon mistress, Harriet Bevens, held him for several minutes. Finally he broke away and ran down to the street, clad only in his undershirt. He fell on the sidewalk from weakness and died of congestion of the brain in a few minutes.

MRS. O'KANE QUALIFIED.

Will Take a Child's Share of Her Husband's Estate.

Mrs. Nellie F. O'Kane of Auburn, N. Y., widow of Capt. James O'Kane, has qualified as executrix of her husband's estate. After having qualified Mrs. O'Kane filed a deed electing to take a child's part of the estate, instead of a widow's dower.

Mrs. O'Kane stated Wednesday that there was no estrangement between the husband and herself, and that her absence from his funeral was due to illness.

VICTIMS OF PNEUMONIA.

Mother and Babe Dead, Husband and Mother-in-Law May Die.

Special to the Post-Dispatch.

SEDALIA, Mo., Feb. 4.—Mrs. James K. Leffler's 4 months' old baby died Tuesday of pneumonia. The funeral service was held yesterday afternoon and Mrs. Leffler, who was very low with pneumonia, requested that she be permitted to kiss her babe. She did so, holding the corpse in her arms, and then fell back on the pillows dead. Mr. Leffler is also very sick with pneumonia and Mrs. J. O. Edwards, mother of Mrs. Leffler, is not expected to live.

IOWA BANK FAILURE.

The First National of Griswold Closes Its Doors.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—The Comptroller of the Currency has received a telegram from Griswold, Io., announcing the failure of the First National Bank of that place. The capital stock of the bank is $50,000. At the date of the last report, Dec. 17, its total liabilities were $80,000, and the surplus $10,000. The total assets of the bank, including bonds, were given at $147,000.

New Shooting Park.

The St. Louis Shooting Association has practically accepted a lease on twelve and one-half acres of land to be used as a shooting park. The ground is on the Sidney Ferry road, near East St. Louis. A base ball park and restaurant will be established on the grounds.

The loss of a good employe need not worry you. There are others. Read P.-D. Wants.

Baker Used a Knife.

Washington Baker of 901 Bartle street and Richard James of 1101 Chouteau avenue quarreled over a woman at 901 Sarah street Wednesday night. Baker cut a four-inch gash in James' neck. Baker was arrested.

Doctors' Say;

Bilious and Intermittent Fevers which prevail in miasmatic districts are invariably accompanied by derangements of the Stomach Liver and Bowels.

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Now, this is the exact condition of affairs: We have a great big stock of Fine Jackets. The cheaper ones are all sold, leaving us none but the best ones to sell. Consequently we have to sell the high-priced ones at the small prices. People expect and demand so much of us. As we will have to sell about 300 Jackets a day to make any perceptible impression, we will make prices like this:

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WEDDED AT SHAARE EMETH.

BRILLIANT NUPTIALS OF LOUIS ALOE AND EDITH ROSENBLATT.

DR. SONNESCHEIN OFFICIATED.

The Church Ceremony Was Followed by a Dinner at the Columbian Club.

Miss Edith Rosenblatt, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Rosenblatt of this city, and Mr. Louis P. Aloe, a well-known young business man, will be married this evening at 6 o'clock at Temple Shaare Emeth on Lindell boulevard and Vandeventer avenue. A large number of invitations have been issued to the friends and acquaintances of the young couple.

Rev. Dr. S. H. Sonneschein of New York City has come to St. Louis to perform the ceremony, in which he will be assisted by Rev. Dr. Sale.

The temple will be beautifully decked in growing palms and wreaths of smilax, brightened by pink roses to carry out the green and pink color scheme of the bridal. The ushers will precede the bridal party to the altar, carrying streamers of wide white satin ribbon to form an aisle for the bridal party, and to cut off the seats allotted to the family party and their immediate guests from the body of the church.

There will be a musical programme composed especially for the occasion by Prof. A. I. Epstein. Handel's "Largo," with violin obligato being played during the ceremony.

The bride will be attended by her sister, Miss Viola Rosenblatt, as maid of honor, and ten bridemaids as follows: Misses Fannie Rich, Edith Stix, Martha Kalter, Martha Schwab, Flora Strauss, Flora Rosenblatt, Winnie Greenfield, Emma Arnold, Florence Bauman and Lenore Schwab.

The groomsmen are Messrs. D. Sommers, M. Guiterman, F.S. Skrainka, H. Ittleson, M. Herzog, S. Hoffheimer, E. Meyberg, S. Kominski, I. Schwab, D. B. Aloe. Mr. F. W. Arnold is the groom's best man.

The ushers are Messrs. E. Strauss, L. Skrainka, H. Green, A. Rosenthal. The bridal party will enter the church led by the four ushers, the groomsmen coming next walking two and two, the best man coming next walking alone, after whom the bridegroom will enter walking with his mother. The bridemaids will come after the bridegroom walking in couples, the maid of honor walking alone, and the bride coming last, walking upon the upon the arm of her uncle, Mr. M. Bauman, who will give her away.

The bride will wear a handsome gown of heavy white duchesse satin, the long court train of rich moire brocade, the pattern being raised upon the moire background, the bodice cut high, and draped with a priceless shawl of white point lace, which belonged to the bride's mother. This is draped over the front of the bodice, and covers the front of the skirt, looped up on the sides with garlands of orange blossoms. Her veil of white tulle will be confined to her hair by a coronet of orange blossoms, and she will carry a bouquet of lilies of the valley and white violets.

The maid of honor will wear a gown of white satin, the skirt slightly en traine, covered with ruffles of white mousseline de soie, piped with pink satin, the bodice decollete, with a bertha of the accordion-pleated mousseline de soie, and she will carry an immense shower bouquet of brides' roses, surrounded with maiden hair ferns. Five of the maids will wear gowns of pink taffeta silk, draped with white organdie, the bodice cut high, with girdles of pink satin ribbon, the other five being gowned in green taffeta silk, draped with white organdie, trimmed with lace and ribbon. They all carry shower bouquets of pink carnations and ferns.

The ceremony at the temple will be followed by a dinner at the Columbian Club, to which 100 invitations have been issued, the bridal table being decked in white roses, smilax and ferns, the table of the guests being in pink and green.

The young couple will go South for their honeymoon, spending three weeks in Florida, and afterward to Washington, to witness the inaugural ball, and upon their return to St. Louis they will keep house at 4464 Maryland avenue.

REFUSES TO INTERFERE.

Judge Adams Will Not Take Up the Houseman Line Litigation.

Judge Adams of the United States District Court refused the application of the Houseman Air Line Railroad for a modification of the decree on the application for the appointment of a receiver for the road. The decree denied the application for a receiver. Judge Priest, for the company, asked that it be modified so that a receiver would be appointed subject to the consent of Receiver Wurdeman, appointed by the State Court.

SUIT FOR SLANDER.

Sheriff Peter Kerth Wants $10,000 From Anthony Wilmas.

Sheriff Peter Kerth of St. Louis County wants $10,000 damages from Anthony Wilmas of Ellisville. He has filed a suit for that amount in the Circuit Court at Clayton, claiming that Mr. Wilmas slandered him.

Mr. Wilmas was formerly a road overseer, but lost his position while Mr. Kerth was County Judge. Mr. Kerth states that Wilmas, on several occasions, has said that the then Judge accepted $1,500 from the St. Louis & Meremac River Railway as a reward for having granted a franchise to run through the county.

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SULLIVAN OF TEXAS.

He Takes a Whirl About Town and Gets Robbed.

S. L. Sullivan, a merchant from Houston, Tex., took a whirl about town last Saturday night. He went to a ball and enjoyed himself hugely. The last thing he remembers is separating from a friend at Sixth and Olive streets some time Sunday morning.

The next thing he knew he was in bed in a strange room with two men standing over him shaking and cursing him.

"Get out of here," they kept saying. "What are you doing in this room?"

Sullivan could not explain this to himself, much less to anyone else, so he got out as quickly as possible. He was feeling pretty tough, but he realized that his $30 overcoat, his gold watch and chain and about $17 in money were missing.

The two men followed him down-stairs. Sullivan found himself on South Broadway somewhere [illegible] either [illegible] ceeded in [illegible] neighborhood. [illegible] house again, but he couldn't do it.

The Texan reported the loss at the Four Courts, [illegible] property might be recovered, but nothing [illegible].

Wednesday afternoon he was walking up Olive street, when he [illegible] who had [illegible] down the [illegible] manded [illegible] had never [illegible] break away.

Sullivan hung on to him and followed him to Seventh and Pine streets. Here the fellow dodged into a pool room. The Texan kept after him. The fellow came out again on seeing [illegible] to Sixth street, where he started to make a run.

Sullivan grabbed him and a fight followed. The Texan held him until Officer Kavanaugh came up and arrested the suspect. He gave his name as John Dwyer, and his occupation as [illegible]. He was locked up pending an investigation.

At Home you may have what thousands visit Europe for yearly, that is the natural Sprudel Salt of Carlsbad. It is obtained by evaporation at the Springs, and is identical with the waters in its action and results, which are the same to-day as when Emperor Charles IV. was cured four hundred years ago, and later George III., Peter the Great, and Maria Theresa benefited by their use. They aid digestion, cure constipation, and purify the blood.

WHITE VISITOR FROM TEXAS.

FIRST REAL SNOWSTORM OF THE SEASON ARRIVES.

NO DANGER OF COLD WEATHER.

Capt. Macklind's Force of Street Cleaners Given Plenty of Work in the Thick Slush.

The first real snowstorm of the season visited St. Louis and vicinity Thursday, and the heavy fall that wrapped every animate and inanimate object in its white mantle recalled to the minds of the people the prediction promulgated by the ground hog on Feb. 2, that the winter season was still loitering within the confines of this section of the country.

Although the fall was the heaviest of the season thus far, its results, as they appeared after twelve hours of continuous snowing, would not seem to justify that claim. The snow was of that heavy, damp, clinging variety just on the borderland between snow and rain, which melts into slush almost as soon as it falls. In consequence there was not as deep a layer of the beautiful on the ground when the fall ceased as would have been the case under ordinary conditions. On most of the down town business streets where traffic was heavy, most of the effects of the snow storm had been obliterated by afternoon.

The extent of the area of the present snowstorm is confined mainly to Kansas and Missouri, according to Prof. Frankenfield, and is traveling directly east, although its speed is slow. The storm started in Northern Texas yesterday morning, and to-day it will have covered the Gulf States and the Ohio Valley. The storm centered this morning in Western Arkansas. The heaviest fall of snow is in Western Missouri and Eastern Kansas.

Moving gradually eastward, the storm struck this vicinity shortly after midnight Wednesday night, with a light precipitation of rain, which soon changed to snow. For an hour or so it was an open question as to which it would be, rain or snow, but the snow gained a hard-fought victory in the end, and when the citizens of St. Louis arose from their slumber the Snow King had spread his white tents over the sleeping town.

During the night the temperature did not fall below 32½ degrees, and by 9 o'clock in the morning it had risen to 34. Despite the increased temperature the snow fell in heavy, damp, blinding sheets, and the clinging flakes seemed to glue themselves to everything they touched. By daylight, despite the fact that much of the snow melted by reason of own moisture, there were nearly three inches of snow upon the ground.

The managers of the street car companies were on the alert for the impending storm, and immediately after it gave evidence of having come to stay, all the salt cars were manned by the crews and run out of the barns over the various lines. The salt melted the snow that clung to the rails without any trouble, and the salt cars were kept in constant operation until daybreak, when sweepers were run over the lines just ahead of the regular cars. In this manner the tracks were kept in good condition and the managers of the companies experienced no difficulty during the morning in running their trains on schedule time. Owing to the increased traffic on all lines in the city, every available car in the sheds was pressed into service, and the trains, during the morning and evening rush, were run at shorter intervals than usual.

Owing to the slippery condition of the rails all motormen and gripmen proceeded with greater caution than usual to prevent possible accidents. The motormen in the vestibuled Olive street cars were placed at a disadvantage during the morning owing to the fact that the snow lodged in masses on the windows of the vestibules and interfered seriously with their range of vision. Many of these grip cars looked like snow houses, so completely were they enveloped in layers of snow.

The only obstacle feared by the managers of the street car companies was the danger of blockades on their lines, by the burning out of fuses owing to short circuits. The woodwork of many of the cars was so thoroughly saturated that where the wires leading to the generators touched the car body a "ground" ensued, forming a short circuit, which burned out the fuse. Fortunately no serious trouble resulted from this source.

The Street Department found itself confronted with the problem of removing the second fall of snow from the down town streets before the accumulations from the first fall of a week ago had been entirely removed. Capt. Macklind had his street-cleaners out early. A force of forty-four men and ten push carts was assigned to the central down town district and besides this a force of men and forty carts employed by the contractors to whom the work of cleaning the down town districts has been let were also set to work. These men were given instructions to clear the street crossings, the streets in front of hotels, office buildings, theaters, newspaper offices and other public places before doing anything else. Before nightfall most of the snow and slush will have been removed from all of the down town streets. In the portion of the city north of Franklin avenue and south of Spruce street men were also set to work to remove the snow from the street crossings.

Capt. Macklind says that the force employed at present in cleaning the streets is costing the city $300 a day. He is unable to estimate the amount which will be required to remove all evidences of the present snow fall. Basing an estimate on the cost of removing six inches of snow from the streets in 1896, which was $7,000, he calculates that the expense of the present work, including the removal of the snowfall of last week, will go a little beyond that figure.

This snowfall proved a boon to the laboring classes, inasmuch as it necessitates the employment of a large number of men in the work of cleaning streets. The headquarters of the department at 2322 Clark avenue was besieged with laborers, white and colored, all looking for work. All who applied early were immediately put to work by Capt. Macklind's orders.

Although reports of heavy snow storms throughout Missouri, Kansas and Texas were received at the Weather Bureau, the running of trains was not interfered with on this account in the slightest degree. All trains due at the Union Station, with the exception of the Missouri, Kansas & Texas train, pulled in promptly on time, and many of them had even made up lost time on the trip. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas train was reported eight hours late, but the delay was due to a freight wreck down in Indian Territory.

Prof. Frankenfield does not look for cold weather to follow in the train of the present storm. He says the temperature may fall a few degrees, but at present there is no cold weather on his map, lowest temperature being at Lake Superior and White River, Canada, where the thermometer registers zero. The snow storm has exhausted itself temporarily in this vicinity.

Yarnmaker Fails.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 4.—John Lee, a yarn manufacturer of this city, has made an assignment to James H. Lee. The liabilities are placed at $42,000. Mr. Lee says the failure was caused by the general business depression.

Smiles Irradiate the Countenance

When those atrocious bodily troubles, chills and fever, dyspepsia, kidney or rheumatic disorders, yield, as they invariably do, to the benign action of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, a remedy of comprehensive use, pure in composition, unobjectionable to a delicate palate, and thorough in effects. Sick headache, loss of appetite, flesh and sleep, nausea, heartburn, are among the physical annoyances obviated by the Bitters. They are in the nature of signals of distress displayed by a disordered stomach, liver and bowels, and disappear with the cause that produced them. But these signals should be heeded at once. Then the woe-begone look of chronic ill health will speedily disappear, and vigor and comfort restore a cheerful aspect to the face. That faithful index to the condition of the system never fails to wear a look of satisfaction when the Bitters is used to dispel the gloom.

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Perfectly Cured by the Great Remedy, Dr. Greene's Nervura.

Mrs. Agnes S. Morton, 388 Main st., Charlestown, Mass., says:

"I became so weak that I was unable to walk steadily, had no appetite, and my stomach was unable to retain food. I could not sleep at night, had no ambition for anything, and was a total wreck. My heart would beat and I would be all of a tremble. I used Dr. Greene's Nervura blood and nerve remedy.

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28 Cakes Babbitt's Soap...$1.20 } All for
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MASS MEETINGS NOT PRIMARIES.

PLAN TO ELECT THOSE PRECINCT COMMITTEEMEN.

ITS WISDOM NOT ADMITTED.

Some Members of the Executive Committee Contend That It Is Not the Proper Thing.

The Democratic City Executive Committee of Sixty-five held a meeting at the Lindell Hotel Wednesday night and adopted a resolution that primary meetings shall be called at 8 o'clock p. m., Feb. 9, in each precinct in the city to elect the precinct committeemen—426 in all. These 426 precinct committeemen, together with the City Executive Committee, will constitute the Democratic City Committee, and will have control of the spring campaign.

The City Executive Committee will act in an ordinary capacity, as it was the intention of the State Committee in the plan of reorganization to make the 426 precinct committeemen the real City Central Committee.

It must not be overlooked that primary meetings are to be called in each precinct. Then each meeting can decide whether its precinct committeeman shall be elected by a mass meeting or by a primary election. The scheme of the majority of the City Executive Committee is to have only mass meetings. As no provision is made for judges and clerks for primaries, it is safe to say that all the precinct committeemen will be selected by mass meetings.

The two ward committeemen in each ward are to select the men to act as chairmen in calling the precinct meetings to order. The ward committeemen must hand in a list of these names to Secretary A. C. Maroney at the meeting of the Executive Committee next Saturday night at the Lindell. Each of these precinct chairmen must obtain his commission from Secretary Maroney. A list of the places where the meetings are to be held must also be given to Secretary Maroney Saturday night.

Chairman Ed Devoy presided at the meeting Wednesday night. Forty-eight of the sixty-five members of the Executive Committee were present. Ex-Gov. Campbell, chairman of the special committee to obtain new headquarters, asked for further time and it was granted. Chairman Devoy said an arrangement had been made to meet temporarily at the Lindell until permanent headquarters were found.

Given Campbell, Chairman of the Committee on Rules, reported rules and regulations for the future government of the new committee. They were the same as the rules of the old City Committee, with the exceptions noted in Wednesday's Post-Dispatch. The report was adopted. The new rules say that ten members can call a meeting; thirty-three members constitute a quorum, and that all meetings shall be open unless a majority vote calls for an executive session; that no members shall be represented by proxy; that the seat of any member may be declared vacant after an absence from three consecutive meetings; that all vacancies from a ward shall be filled by the precinct committeemen of that ward at a meeting called for the purpose; that all vacancies among the nine members-at-large shall be filled by a majority of the Executive Committee.

The subject of precinct primaries evoked a long and lively discussion. Joseph Dickmann started the ball rolling by making a motion that precinct mass meetings be held in each precinct in the city at 8 o'clock p. m. next Tuesday, Feb. 9, to elect precinct committeemen, and that the two ward members select the names of the chairmen to call these mass meetings to order.

John A. Lee offered an amendment that primary elections, with judges and clerks, be held under the supervision of the Executive Committee on Feb. 9 from 6 to 9 p. m. This amendment was overwhelmingly defeated.

Mr. Dickmann's motion finally carried.

During the discussion over this resolution a peculiar construction was placed upon the word "primaries" by Given Campbell and Chairman Devoy.

The instructions of the State Committee in its plan of reorganization of the party in St. Louis plainly read "that primaries are to be held in each precinct on Feb. 9 to elect precinct committeemen."

At the time these instructions were given by Chairman Cook to the press for publication, Mr. Cook and the other members of the State Committee and the City Committee and everybody else understood that primary elections, not mass-meetings, were to be held on Feb. 9.

The Post-Dispatch had an interview with State Chairman Cook on this very subject and he explained that judges and clerks could be found to serve without pay at the primary elections and that he desired to give the people a chance to have a fair voice at the polls in electing the precinct committeemen.

But Chairman Devoy and Given Campbell, leading the majority, raised the technicality that the word "primaries" does not necessarily imply that primary elections shall be held, but that it may mean "primary mass-meetings." Henry Spaunhorst, Versen, Ben Brady, Maroney, Conran and ex-Gov. Campbell took the same view.

Judge Thomas B. Harvey said the State Committee's instructions meant that primary elections, and not mass meetings, should be held. As to the objection that due preparation could not be made between now and next Tuesday, he argued that the City Executive Committee had the power to postpone the primary elections, and he thought they should be held the latter part of this month.

Chairman Devoy said the present City Executive Committee would die and go out of existence after Feb. 9, if the precinct committeemen were not elected on that date.

Judge Harvey disputed that. He said the present City Executive Committee of sixty-five acted in the capacity of the old City Committee until the 426 precinct committeemen were elected, and thereafter the 426, together with the 65 as advisory, would constitute the entire City Committee. Therefore, the present committee could not die through failure of electing the precinct committeemen on Feb. 9.

But Dickmann's motion for mass meetings carried by 29 to 9 against.

A letter from the St. Louis Democracy proffering its aid in the precinct organization was read and filed.

The following apportionment was read for representation in the City Convention for the next four years, based on the vote for Bryan:

First Ward, 1,639 votes, 9 delegates.
Second Ward, 1,663 votes, 9 delegates.
Third Ward, 1,772 votes 9 delegates.
Fourth Ward, 1,896 votes, 10 delegates.
Fifth Ward, 1,899 votes, 10 delegates.
Sixth Ward, 1,695 votes, 9 delegates.
Seventh Ward, 1,567 votes, 8 delegates.
Eighth Ward, 2,281 votes, 12 delegates.
Ninth Ward, 1,542 votes, 8 delegates.
Tenth Ward, 1,889 votes, 10 delegates.
Eleventh Ward, 1,969 votes, 10 delegates.
Twelfth Ward, 948 votes, 5 delegates.
Thirteenth Ward, 1,707 votes, 9 delegates.
Fourteenth Ward, 2,255 votes, 12 delegates.
Fifteenth Ward, 983 votes, 5 delegates.
Sixteenth Ward, 1,900 votes, 10 delegates.
Seventeenth Ward, 1,475 votes, 8 delegates.
Eighteenth Ward, 1,645 votes, 9 delegates.
Nineteenth Ward, 2,077 votes, 11 delegates.
Twentieth Ward, 1,644 votes, 9 delegates.
Twenty-first Ward, 1,569 votes, 8 delegates.
Twenty-second Ward, 1,710 votes, 9 delegates.
Twenty-third Ward, 1,530 votes, 8 delegates.
Twenty-fourth Ward, 1,889 votes, 10 delegates.
Twenty-fifth Ward, 2,085 votes, 11 delegates.
Twenty-sixth Ward, 4,185 votes, 21 delegates.
Twenty-seventh Ward, 2,445 votes, 13 delegates.
Twenty-eighth Ward, 2,510 votes, 13 delegates.
Total, 275 delegates.

John A. Lee gave notice that at Saturday's meeting he would introduce a resolution calling for one additional delegate, over and above the basis of the Bryan vote, from each precinct, thus adding 426 more delegates, making 701 in all for a city convention.

Mr. Lee's resolution is strongly opposed by a great many members. The argument against it is that by allowing each precinct one delegate the Republican wards would have the advantage in a Democratic city convention, and besides it would destroy the principle of representation on the Democratic vote for Bryan.

As an illustration: The Fourteenth Ward had a Bryan vote of 2,255, and is now entitled to twelve delegates. There are twelve precincts in this ward, and Mr. Lee would therefore add one delegate to each precinct arbitrarily and give the ward twenty-four delegates. The Eighteenth Ward gave a Bryan vote of only 1,645, and is now entitled to nine delegates. But this ward has sixteen precincts, and Mr. Lee's plan would therefore give it twenty-five delegates—a larger representation than the Fourteenth Ward, which polled the larger Democratic vote of the two. It is thus argued that the Lee resolution is manifestly unfair.

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Has set the tongues of women to wagging as they never wagged before! As the news of this Terrific Price Smash gets abroad the crowds will get bigger and bigger, until every scrap and vestige of Boston Store Stock will have been scattered to the four winds of heaven!

Who could resist such amazing—such unprecedented Bargains—even with snow a foot deep—as we offer in this sale

For Friday and Saturday

PILLOW CASES—Of good Muslin, 45 inches and 36 inches each, which Boston Store sold at 15c, we sell Friday, in Basement, at 7½c

MADE SHEETS—Full size for double bed, which Boston Store sold at 45c, we offer Friday in basement for 29c

GINGHAMS—In 1 to 10-yard lengths—good styles—which Boston Store sold at 12½c a yard, we sell in basement Friday at 4½c

JACKETS SLAUGHTERED.

Jacket Bargain Table No. 1. 100 Ladies' Jackets, all kinds and styles, some among which Boston Store sold at the beginning of the season at $6.50, and very few in the lot worth less than $3.50, in one big lot, for Friday and Saturday, at the stunning price of $1.48

Jacket Bargain Table No. 2. 75 Ladies' Jackets, Scotch Mixtures, Covert Cloths, Boucles, Cheviots, Kerseys, etc., which Boston Store sold at prices ranging from $5.00 to $8.00, in one big lot, for Friday and Saturday, at the startling price of $2.48

Jacket Bargain Table No. 3. About 60 Ladies' Jackets of every kind and quality of good material now in vogue, all broken sizes, but any figure can be fitted from the lot, many in this lot were priced to sell by Boston Store at $15.00, we slaughter them Friday and Saturday at the unmatched price of $4.75

LACES and EMBROIDERIES.

Valenciennes and Torchon Laces, in cream and white, with insertings to match, which Boston Store sold up to 8c a yard, on one big table at 2c

Swiss and Hamburg Embroideries, white and colors, which Boston Store sold at 5c and 7c a yard, we throw into one lot at 2c

Swiss, Nainsook and Hamburg Embroideries, 2 to 6 inches wide, which Boston Store sold at 15c and 20c a yard, we sell Friday at 5c

Fine Swiss Embroideries, in beautiful patterns, 2 to 9 inches wide, which Boston Store sold up to 30c a yard, we throw into one big lot at 7c

Irish Point Embroideries, in beautiful designs, with insertings to match, which Boston Store sold at 35c to 50c a yard, we throw into another big lot at 12c

Black Silk Chantilly, Valenciennes and Guipure Effect Laces, which Boston Store sold at 20c to 35c a yard, in two big lots, for Friday, at 5c and at 10c a yard

HOSIERY SNAPS.

Children's Fast Black Hose, in sizes 6 to 8, which Boston Store sold at 10c a pair, we sell Friday and Saturday at 3c

Children's Fleece-Lined Fast Black Hose, tans and red, which Boston Store sold up to 25c a pair, we are selling at 10c

Ladies' Seamless Fast Black Hose, with high spliced heels and toes, which Boston Store sold at 19c, we offer at 10c

WRAPPERS—140 dozen Ladies' Fancy Percale Wrappers, all in light colors, in sizes 32 to 44, made with watteau plaits, yoke backs and fronts, and girdles trimmed with braid—a lot which reached the Boston Store the day it failed; they would have been sold by Boston Store at $1.25, but fortune places them in your hands Friday and Saturday at the astounding price of 49c

DRESS GOODS.

At 5c a Yard—30 different styles Boston Store's light and dark colored Dress Goods, which they sold at 15c, 20c and 25c a yard.

At 10c a Yard—One lot of Boston Store's 36-inch Wool Henriettas and Illuminated Suitings, in light and dark shades and pretty rough effects, which they sold at three times the price.

At 15c a Yard—35 pieces 36-in. all-Wool Cheviots and Flannel Suitings, in light and medium shades, which Boston Store sold at 35c a yard.

At 23c a Yard—15 pieces 48-inch all-Wool Plaids and Novelty Mixtures in new and stylish weaves, that sold at Boston Store for 50c and 65c a yard.

ALL REMNANTS of Boston Store Dress Goods of every kind and quality will be handed out Friday and Saturday at prices you would be ashamed to offer for them yourself.

BLACK SILKS.

Here Are Your Bargains.

10 pieces Black Brocaded Satins and Gros-Grains, in rich and handsome designs, which Boston Store sold at 75c to $1.00 a yard, we sell Friday and Saturday at 49c

A limited quantity of 24-inch Black Peau de Soie, all pure silk and extra heavy, that Boston Store sold at $1.35, we sell Friday and Saturday at 79c

LINING SNAPS.

18-inch Gray Hair Cloth, which Boston Store sold at 10c a yard, we sell Friday and Saturday for 2½c

REMNANTS OF SILESIAS Which Boston Store sold at 15c and 18c a yard, here at 5c

FANCY BACK FAST BLACK SILESIAS Which Boston Store sold at 20c a yard, we sell Friday and Saturday for 10c

BLANKETS and COMFORTS.

White Eiderdown Finish Blankets, with pretty pink and blue borders, which Boston Store sold for $1.35 a pair, we are selling at 79c

COMFORTS made of the best robe Prints and filled with good cotton, which Boston Store sold at 89c, we sell at 55c

BUTTONS AND TRIMMINGS.

Boston Store's Prices Knocked Silly.

Dress Trimmings of various kinds, that Boston Store sold up to 25c a yard, here at 1c

Better ones worth up to 75c, at 5c

Braided and Beaded Dress Trimming Sets in black and colors, which Boston Store sold up to $2.00, we throw out in one big lot at 10c

Buttons which Boston Store sold up to 20c a dozen, we sell at 2½c

Combination Pocket Books—Of extra quality Morocco, which Boston Store sold at 65c, we sell Friday at 22c

In Our Great Basement Salesroom.

DRESS PRINTS—Which the Boston Store sold at 6¼c a yard; we sell Friday at 3c

CAMBRIC MUSLIN—Of extra fine quality, yd-wide, which Boston Store sold at 15c a yard, we sell Friday at 7½c

Cheviot Shirtings—Of fine qualities, which Boston Store sold at 12½c a yard, here while they last, Friday, at 5c

CANTON FLANNELS—In Mill Lengths, which the Boston Store sold at 7½c, we sell Friday at 3c

FLANNELETTES—In gray and brown, which Boston Store sold at 6¼c, we sell Friday at 2½c

WHITE SHAKER FLANNEL—Which Boston Store sold at 10c a yard, we sell Friday at 3¾c

Window Shades.

This Beats All.

Among the Boston Store stock were about 500 Window Shades of all kinds and all colors, all mounted, ready to hang, which they sold at 40c to 50c each. Friday and Saturday we will sell the best Opaques, limited 6 to a customer, and dealers barred, at the unheard-of price of 11c

Lace Curtains.

Boston Store Prices Knocked to Pieces.

About 800 pairs Boston Store's Lace Curtains, in newest designs, Egyptian, Brussels Net and Fish Net effects, will go Friday and Saturday like this:

Their 50c Curtains, per pair 27c
Their $1.50 Curtains, per pair .73c
Their $2.00 Curtains, pair.... $1.00
Their $3.00 Curtains, pair.... $1.62
Their $5.00 Curtains, pair.... $2.50

CARPET SALE.

To keep pace with the sensational bargains in this great sale, we will offer for Friday and Saturday 20 rolls of our most beautiful patterned Brussels Carpets, honestly worth 60c a yard in any store in the world, at the unmatched price of 47½c

DRUG SUNDRIES.

Santa Rex Castile Soap, which Boston Store sold at 5c a cake, we sell at 1c
Pint Bottle Bay Rum, worth 15c, for 6c
Good Face Powder, worth 10c, for 3c
Extra Good Quality Sewing Machine Oil, 10c bottle for 2c
An assorted lot of Fine Perfumes, in fancy bottles, worth 25c, Friday and Saturday at 10c

Astounding Bargains IN SHOES For Young and Old,

—FROM THE—

"Busted" Boston Store Stock

Don't You Imagine for a Moment that St. Louis People are Dull Enough to Let Such Opportunities Go By.

Misses' Shoes—In sizes 12 to 2—that Boston Store sold at 75c to $1.00 a pair, Friday and Saturday at 29c

Ladies' Lace and Button Shoes (all small sizes), which Boston Store sold at $2.00 and $3.00 a pair, we will close out Friday, while they last, at 39c

Ladies' Shoes—In all the latest toes and "up-to-date" styles—which Boston Store sold at $2.50 and $3.50 a pair, will be sacrificed Friday and Saturday at 98c

Ladies' Shoes—Including every style that Boston Store carried, including all toes and all widths, which they sold at $2.50, $3.00 and $3.50, we throw into one big lot Friday and Saturday at the stunning price of $1.50

Ladies' Slippers—Some plain, some with bows—that Boston Store sold for 75c a pair, we sell Friday and Saturday at 29c

Ladies' Bals—Of felt—some plain with leather soles, some leather foxed—that Boston Store sold at never less than $1.00—some $1.50, we sell, in one big lot, Friday and Saturday at 69c

Men's Slippers—Some embroidered—some in Alligator—that Boston Store sold at 75c to $1.00 a pair, we sell Friday and Saturday at 39c

Men's Genuine Kangaroo Calf, Cork Soled Shoes, in Congress and Lace styles—all sizes—as good a Shoe as ever was made on earth for $3.00, Friday and Saturday at $1.69

Another Sensation in TRIMMED HATS

A lot of Ladies' Elegantly Trimmed Hats, with good jet black ostrich tips, all silk ribbon, birds and aigrettes and fancy ornaments, including all the new midwinter novelties that go so far to make up a very nobby hat, worth from $2.50 to $5.00 each, will be offered Friday and Saturday at the absolutely wonderful price of 98c

Notions for Nothing

6 bunches Hair Pins 1c
King's Spool Cotton (each) 1c
Mixed Black Pins 2c
5c Aluminum Thimbles 2c
10c Tracing Wheels 3c
Whalebone Casing, per bolt 3c
10c Tooth Brushes 3c
10c Dressing Combs 3c
10c Fancy Elastic 3c
10c Dress Shields 3c
35c Nickle-plated Scissors 15c
Duplex Hooks and Eyes 5c
Good Covered Whalebones, worth 15c 7c

KNITTED UNDERWEAR.

Ladies' Fleece-Lined Balbriggan Vests that Boston Store sold at 35c, we sell Friday and Saturday at 19c

Boys', Misses' and Children's Knitted Undershirts, Pants and Drawers, in heavy fleece-lined balbriggan and merino, which Boston Store sold up to 69c per garment, we sell at 19c

Ladies' All-Wool Vests, in white and natural colors, high necks and long sleeves, which Boston Store sold up as high as $1.00, we are throwing out at 22c

Ladies' All-Wool Union Suits, in white and natural colors, which Boston Store sold at $1.50, we are throwing out at 59c

Muslin Underwear.

Boston Store prices split to splinters.

Ladies' Muslin Chemises, Drawers and Skirts, some trimmed with Torchon lace and tucks, not a poor one among the lot, being the odd lots in Boston Store's stock, which they sold at 25c to 39c each, in one big lot at 17c

CORSETS—Which Boston Store sold at 39c to $1.50, will be thrown out Friday at ..... 19c to 69c

The broken lots of Infants' Muslin Underwear in Boston Store stock will be offered Friday at a fraction of their value.

A FLANNEL SCOOP.

OUTING FLANNELS—In light and dark grounds, stripes and checks, that Boston Store sold at 10c a yard, we sell Friday and Saturday at 5c

FLEECED FLANNELETTES—In beautiful Persian designs and stripes, all choicest colorings, that Boston Store sold at 12c a yard, we sell Friday and Saturday at 6½c

FRENCH FLANNELS—34 inches wide, all-wool, in all the leading colors, which Boston Store sold at 65c a yard, we sell Friday and Saturday at 28c

SKIRTINGS—Of extra heavy quality, in fancy stripes of brown, blue and black, which Boston Store sold at 20c a yard, we sell Friday and Saturday at 9c

SAXONY YARNS—Good assortment of colors—which Boston Store sold at 10c, we sell Friday, while they last, at 3c

LADIES' APRONS—Of fine India Linen, fancy and plain, which Boston Store sold up to 30c each, we sell Friday at 12c

CROSS BAR Book Fold Muslin, which Boston Store sold at 10c a yard, we offer Friday and Saturday at 3¾c

LINEN SNAPS.

Fancy Turkish Fringed Towels with pretty colored centers, suitable for tidies, which Boston Store sold at 12½c each, we sell at 4c

Turkey Red Table Damask, 60 inches wide and extra quality, which Boston Store sold at 35c, we sell while it lasts at 15c

Extra Quality Full Bleached Turkish Towels, 24x44 inches, which Boston Store sold at 29c, we sell while they last at 16c

Fancy Colored Table Cloths, 3 yards long, absolutely fast color and extra quality, which Boston Store sold at $2.00 each, we sell Friday and Saturday at 80c

Children's Suits.

Knee-Pant Suits that Boston Store sold for $2.48, we sell Friday and Saturday for 79c

Knee-Pant Suits that Boston Store sold for $3.50 we sell Friday and Saturday for 95c

Knee-Pant Suits that Boston Store sold for $4.50, we sell Friday and Saturday for $1.95

KID GLOVES—In 4-button and Mosquetaire styles, in black and colors, which Boston Store sold up to $1.50 a pair, we sell Friday and Saturday at 49c

LADIES' MITTENS—Good all-Wool Cashmere Mittens, which Boston Store sold at 50c a pair, we sell Friday and Saturday for 19c

House Furnishings.

BASEMENT.

DINNER SETS—In assorted shapes and decorations, some gold-lined ones among them, that Boston Store sold at $6.50 per set, we sell Friday and Saturday at $3.99

FRYING PANS—Of sheet steel, that Boston Store sold at 12c, we sell Friday and Saturday at 6c
Their 20c Fry Pans at 10c
Their 25c Fry Pans at 14c

ROLLING PINS—Of hard wood, which Boston Store sold at 8c, we sell at 3c

WASH BOARDS—Best quality, full size, which Boston Store sold at 15c, we sell at 7c

SKILLETS—Of cast iron, for No. 7 or 8 stove, which Boston Store sold at 12c, we sell Friday and Saturday at 9c

COMBINATION Strainer and Funnel—which Boston Store sold at 20c, we sell Friday and Saturday at 12c

PARLOR LAMPS—With decorated base and shade to match, which Boston Store sold at $1.25, we sell Friday and Saturday at 69c

THE FAIR 7TH ST. & FRANKLIN AVE
ST. LOUIS' GREATEST DEPARTMENT STORE.

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CONDENSED MILK.

American Product Monopolizing Trade in Europe.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—American competition in condensed milk has overcome all Europe, according to United States Consul Germain at Zurich, overrunning the German market and reducing the Swiss exports by more than one-half. The Consul says the German Government is only prevented from immediately imposing a heavy protective duty by a treaty provision which will expire in 1903.

Battle With Desperadoes.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Feb. 4.—A posse of United States Marshals had a desperate battle on Admiralty Island, Alaska, last week. Slim Birch was the leader of the attacking desperadoes. One officer was killed and two fatally wounded. The desperadoes were afterward captured. The dead Marshal is Wm. C. Watts.

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SITUATIONS WANTED—MALE

20 words or less, 5c.

BARTENDER—Wanted, situation by bartender who can give the best of references. Ad. B 344, this office.

BARTENDER—Wanted, situation by an experienced bartender; can give the best of references. Ad. N 345, this office.

BOY—A boy of 17 wants work in some tailor shop; can sew by hand and by machine. Ad. K 345, this office.

BOOK-KEEPER—Wanted, situation by young man as assistant book-keeper; 2 years' experience. Ad. S 345, this office.

COACHMAN—Situation wanted by coachman who thoroughly understands his business; no objection to country. P. Hughes, 3323 Olive st.

CARPENTER—Sit. wanted to do plain carpenter or patch work, by sober and industrious married man. 4450 Swan av.

CLERK—Position wanted as grocery clerk, bartender or supply wagon driver; $10 to anybody giving me information leading to a position; reference and ability first class. Ad. F 340, this office.

CABINETMAKER—Situation wanted by practical cabinet maker and carpenter for hotel or corporation; references. Ad. B 334, this office.

DRUGGIST—Wanted, situation by competent registered druggist; ten years' experience as clerk and manager; 27 years old; single; do not use tobacco or whisky. M. Kelly, Osborn, Mo.

FIREMAN—Wanted, situation as fireman; five years' experience; with reference. Ad. C 346, this office.

FLORIST—A florist and gardener of 20 years' experience desires situation on large place; can furnish first-class references as to ability and character. Ad. L., Box 554, Memphis, Mo.

MAN AND WIFE—Want situations to cook and do housework and as butler; references. Ad. P 342, this office.

MAN—Wanted, situation by practical, experienced middle-aged man; paper-hanging, painting, carpentering; works cheap. Ad. G 346, this office.

MAN AND WIFE—Would like to have a home; will work for $2.50 a week each. 4190 Morgan st., side entrance.

OFFICE MAN—Desires responsible position in large business; best qualifications; English, French and German. Russell, 421 Chestnut st., Room 202.

PORTER—Wanted, situation as porter in saloon, barbershop, janitor or any kind of office work; colored; best of reference. Ad. 4215 Cook av., rear. J. W. Sarner.

PAPERHANGER—Wanted, situation by an experienced paperhanger; will work cheap. Ad. R 339, this office.

STENOGRAPHER—Young man, good education, wants position; will start at $8 per week. Ad. L 341, this office.

STENOGRAPHER—A stenographer and office man wants position for whole or half day; experienced; references; low salary to start. Ad. A 346, this office.

STENOGRAPHER—Expert young man stenographer desires position; 5 years' experience; will accept small salary; references. Ad. H 333, this office.

ULSTERS—35 size Chinchilla Ulsters, $3.24, at the Truefit, 621 Olive st.

YOUNG MAN—Wants work of some kind; willing to do anything outside of selling goods; strictly temperate and reliable; best of references. Ad. N 342, this office.

$10.00 UP—Suits and overcoats to order. Mesritz Tailoring Co., 8th and Olive.

$2.50 UP—Pants to order. Mesritz Tailoring Co., 219 N. 8th, cor. Olive, 2d floor.

HELP WANTED—MALE.

14 words or less 10 cents.

BOY WANTED—Neat colored boy, not over 16 years, for housework. 4152 Washington av.

BOY WANTED—Experienced boy to feed Gordon press. Call 712 Spruce st.

BOY WANTED—Neat office boy, living with parents; salary $2 weekly; state age, experience and references. Ad. N 344, this office.

BARBER WANTED—Good barber for Saturday and Sunday; no student. 104 S. 4th st.

COOK WANTED—White; good meat and pastry cook at once. Wm. Cogg, Cairo, Ill.

COACHMAN WANTED—White coachman; none but those having first-class recommendations need apply; must be fully competent. 715 Washington av.

DRIVER WANTED—Must know southern part of city; reference. Rosier Laundry, 2205 Chestnut.

DRIVERS WANTED—A few good drivers for dirt wagons on Evans av., near Sarah. H. Hall.

FREE treatment for all private, blood and rectal diseases. General Dispensary, 1408 Franklin av.

MEN WANTED—Two young men, willing to work; steady work. Call at northeast corner of 9th and Spruce st., at 7 o'clock this evening.

MEN WANTED—Greater demand for our graduates than ever; only 8 weeks required to complete course; complete outfit of high-grade tools given each student; write for our 1897 catalogue. Moler's Barber College, 11th and Franklin av.

OVERCOATS—36 and 38 sizes all-wool Overcoats, $1.27, at the Truefit, 621 Olive st.

SHOEMAKER WANTED—Good shoemaker at 3527 S. Broadway.

SALESMAN WANTED—To sell jewelry; large profits and rare inducements. 24 De Menil Bldg.

YOUR winter shoe—handsome box-calf, Goodyear welt, calf-lined, invisible cork sole, extreme needle toe, $2.49. Harris, $4 shoe man, 520 Pine.

RUBICAM SHORTHAND COLLEGE

701-2-3 Union Trust Building, 7th and Olive sts.; we qualify our graduates for the best paying positions; thorough course by mail.

STOVE REPAIRS.

Castings and repairs for stoves and ranges of every description. A. G. Brauer, 219 Locust st.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

20 words or less, 5c.

CASHIER—Position wanted by young lady as cashier; to do office work, address envelopes; must have work; excellent references. Ad. S 338, this office.

COOK—Wanted, situation by colored woman; first-class cook; no washing or ironing; answer immediately. 2743 Mills st.

CASHIER—Young lady would like position as cashier in restaurant or office clerk; references. Ad. E 345, this office.

COOK—Wanted, situation by good cook and nurse; very fond of children; colored. 2822 Adams st.

COOK—Wanted, a place to cook and do laundry work in a small family; best of references; colored. 2604 Miller st.

COOK—Wanted, situation as cook or laundress. 2122 Franklin, rear 2124; no postals or letters answered.

DRESSMAKER—First-class dressmaker; will work for $1.35 during dull season; best references. Ad. C 321, this office.

DRESSMAKER—First-class dressmaker desires work to take home; best refs. Ad. M 345, this office.

SITUATIONS WANTED—FEMALE.

20 words or less, 5c.

HOUSEKEEPER—Position wanted as housekeeper by a refined young widow for widower or bachelor. Ad. G 340, this office.

HOUSEGIRL—Situation wanted by girl for general housework; small family. 211 Sidney st.

HOUSEKEEPER—A neat widow lady wishes a situation as housekeeper for a widower; with references if asked for. 3552 De Kalb st.

HOUSEGIRL—Girl wants situation to do general housework. Call at 2735 Wash st.

HOUSEGIRL—Situation wanted by girl for general housework; small family. 213 Sidney st.

HOUSEKEEPER—Wanted, a situation as housekeeper by a respectable working woman; will care for 1 or 2 children. Call or address 4757 Gravois av.

HOUSEGIRL—Strong, active girl of 15 wishes a position at housework or nursing. 2001 E. Warne av., upstairs.

HOUSEGIRL—A young girl wants situation at housework in small family; best city refs. 1935 Morgan, upstairs.

HOUSEGIRL—Wanted, situation by girl to do housework, wash and iron. 1012 N. Taylor.

HOUSEGIRL—Wanted, situation by girl to do general housework. 819 N. 21st st.

HOUSEGIRL—A competent German girl wishes a situation at housework. Apply at 4212 Peck st.

HOUSEGIRL—Wanted, situation by German girl to do upstairs work; no washing. Call 1731 N. 12th.

HOUSEKEEPER—A young woman wishes a situation as housekeeper for widower with 1 child. 1213 S. 7th st.

HOUSEKEEPER—Wanted, position as housekeeper in hotel or boarding-house; long experience; good refs. Ad. Housekeeper, 1004 Market st., city.

HOUSEGIRL—Wanted, situation as housegirl, without washing or ironing, by neat German girl; good refs. 2709 N. 9th st.

LAUNDRESS—First-class laundress wants washing by day, or to take home. 1001½ S. Channing av.

LAUNDRESS—Wanted, situation by first-class laundress and good cook in private family. 3320 Washington av.

LAUNDRESS—First-class laundress wishes situation by the day or week. 1829 Carr st., rear.

LAUNDRESS—A laundress wishes washing to take home; references given. 3827 Easton, second floor.

LAUNDRESS—White laundress wants rough-dried clothes to take home; guarantee satisfaction. 4324 North Market st.

LADY'S MAID—Wanted, situation as lady's maid; fully competent; best references. Ad. L. C., 2614 Olive st.

NURSEGIRL—Wanted, situation as nursegirl and do housework. 1515 Biddle st.

NURSEGIRL—Wanted, by girl of 17, situation as nurse and assist in general housework. 3255 N. 19th st.

NURSE—Wanted, situation as nurse or laundress by the day. Call at 3418 Cherokee st.

NURSE—Elderly lady wishes position as nurse to ladies in confinement. Mrs. M., 3640 Garfield av.

STENOGRAPHER—Young lady, competent, wants work; can do office work; small salary; refs. Ad. N 330, this office.

STENOGRAPHER—Young lady wants work for half day; $2.50 per week. Ad. M 342, this office.

SEAMSTRESS—Gentlemen, your socks will be mended, your clothes repaired by Mrs. Ray, third floor, 2734 Franklin av.

SEAMSTRESS—Wanted, position in family as seamstress and care for children; will give good refs. Ad. Mrs. M., 1004 Market st., city.

WOMAN—Middle-aged country woman wants situation to do light housework and help with children, with good references. Call or address Housegirl, 5232 St. Louis av., city.

WOMAN—Reliable colored woman wants work in private family; refs. given; without washing; will work for $10 per month. Address Mollie Cannady, 1612 Morgan.

WOMAN—Wanted, work by married lady, without children, in rooming-house; would take room for light housekeeping for same; references if needed. Ad. Mrs. Annie Cable, General Delivery, city.

STOVE REPAIRS.

Repairs for stoves and ranges of every description. Jos. Forshaw, 111 N. 12th st.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

14 words or less, 10c.

DISHWASHER WANTED—Steady German girl at 10 N. 3d st., restaurant.

GIRL WANTED—A girl willing to work for board and clothes. 1018 N. 19th st.

GIRL WANTED—Good German girl, 17 or 18 years old, light work. Apply at once to 4246 Olive st., flat 2.

GIRL WANTED—Good girl to attend to children and assist in light housework; good wages to a good girl. 838 N. King's highway.

GIRL WANTED—Good machine girl on fine vests; good pay; steady work. 318 Lesperance st.

GIRLS WANTED—Girls to sew on wrappers. 307 Lucas av.

GIRL WANTED—A girl or woman for general housework; no washing; two in family. 120 S. 4th st.; wire store.

GIRL WANTED—A domestic for general housework; no washing; reference required. 2626 Lafayette av.

GIRL WANTED—A girl to cook and do housework for small family. Call Friday morning, 3224 Shenandoah st.

GIRL WANTED—Young girl for nurse and upstairs work. 3851 Page av.

GIRL WANTED—Girl, 14 or 15, to assist with housework; object, good home. 366A N. Boyle av. Olive cars pass door.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; one not afraid of work. 2855 N. Grand.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—An experienced girl to do general housework. Apply at 4134 Morgan st. Thursday afternoon.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—German girl for general housework. 4051 Chouteau av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl to do general housework. 4059 Delmar boul.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl to do housework. Apply 2610 Cass av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl for general housework in small family. Apply 4399 Laclede av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl for light housework, 14 to 16 years old. 919 Morgan st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework. 840 Chouteau av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A good girl for general work. 2633 Pine st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—An experienced girl, with references. 4307 Lindell av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl for general housework. 2201 St. Charles st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Good girl for general housework; no washing. 3952 Page av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework; must know how to do plain cooking. 4071 Page av.

HELP WANTED—FEMALE.

14 words or less, 10c.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl for general housework; small family. 4132 Peck st.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—Girl for general housework in family of three; refs. required. 1621 Pennsylvania av.

HOUSEGIRL WANTED—A girl for general housework; small family; come ready to work. 4921 Page av.

LASTER WANTED—A laster on Copeland & Chase lasting machine. Mound City Boot and Shoe Co.

PROF. MORAN is forming several free shorthand classes. Apply promptly 1626 Locust st.

STENOGRAPHER WANTED—Small salary; preference given to one owning own machine; position permanent; state experience and salary. Ad. C 345, this office.

WOMAN WANTED—Woman to wash dishes. 1018 Hodiamont av. Take Suburban car.

WOMAN WANTED—Good white woman for general housework and take care child; small wages. Call 25 S. 10th st.

WOMAN WANTED—Thoroughly experienced woman for house-cleaning; only one who has had years of experience need answer this advertisement; give reference. Send address where can be seen to H 344, this office.

AGENTS WANTED.

14 words or less 20 cents.

AGENTS WANTED—Agents to sell household goods on commission. Call 4202 N. Broadway.

AGENT WANTED—Party to take the agency of St. Louis and handle a staple product; salary $15 a week; must have $100 to pay for office furniture. Tannene Mfg. Co., 708½ Pine st.

AGENTS WANTED—First-class industrial insurance agents; good contract. Apply in morning, 402 Hagan Bldg.

AGENTS WANTED—Insurance agents; we want two good men to solicit; "old line" agents can make money with us. Apply between 9 and 10 a. m., E. A. Grant, Manager the Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association, Columbia Bldg.

AGENTS WANTED—St. Louis Wholesale Tailoring Co., Frank Building, Broadway and Washington av., tailors to the trade; agents wanted in neighboring towns.

OVERCOATS—36 size black Beaver Overcoat, $5.24, at the Truefit, 621 Olive st.

CANVASSERS.

14 words or less, 20c.

MEN WANTED—To sell blankets; bring reference. 4202 N. Broadway.

SALESMAN WANTED—One good, hustling salesman to sell goods on weekly payments; answer, with refs. Ad. A 345, this office.

LOST AND FOUND.

14 words or less, 10c.

Lost.

BUCKLE—Lost, one buckle, with letters L. M. Liberal reward at 2001 Olive st.

BRUSH—Lost, paste brush; handle marked C. F. M.; on Magnolia av., between Pennsylvania and Oregon. Return to L. M. Miller, 2824 Pennsylvania av.

DOG—Lost, a small black and tan dog; answers to name Billy. Reward at 4036 N. Broadway.

DOG—Lost, a St. Bernard dog, about 2 years old; black marks on face. Return same with collar he had on to 4958 Forest Park boul. and receive reward.

DOG—Lost, at Arcade, small white and blue fox terrier bitch. Reward at 5611 Cates av.

DOG—Lost, a small pug dog, with black head; 3 months old. Return to 2835 Magnolia av. Liberal reward.

OVERCOATS—38 size English Melton Overcoat, $7.89, at the Truefit, 621 Olive st.

POCKETBOOK—Lost, pocketbook; will lady who took pocketbook on 2d floor of store, at shirt waist counter, on Monday afternoon, return same to S., 202 N. 12th st., 3d floor, and save trouble, as she is known?

RING—Lost, a small plain gold ring; initials V. K. to U. K.; on Carr st., between 16th and 19th sts. Return to 1837 Carr st. and receive reward.

THEATRICAL.

14 words or less 20 cents.

THEATRICAL—Wanted, pupils for stage; begin training now for spring and summer season; dramatic, opera and vaudeville; private elocution, grace and gestures. Simpson's, 1115 Olive.

BUSINESS FOR SALE.

14 words or less 20 cents.

GROCERY—Splendid chance to buy a first-class grocery, with established trade; owner leaving city; must be sold at once; very fine location. Ad. H 345, this office.

ROOMING-HOUSE—For sale, rooming-house in good location; cheap for cash. Ad. S 344, this office.

RESTAURANT—For sale, will sell my restaurant at reasonable price; doing good-paying business; complete in all details; desire to go East; no agents need answer. Ad. B 345, this office.

ULSTERS—44 size Montagnac Ulster, $9.98, at the Truefit, 621 Olive st.

MISCELLANEOUS WANTS.

14 words or less, 20c.

FURNITURE—Wanted, carload furniture for Texas hotel; must be cheap. Geo. Weber, 4232 Gratiot.

GAS FIXTURES—Wanted, gas fixtures, second-hand hall and parlor chandeliers and bedroom and kitchen brackets; must be cheap. Ad. W 345, this office.

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE.

14 words or less, 20c.

CABINET—For sale, physician's instrument cabinet and bookcase, at 1630 Pine.

OVERCOATS—42 size Gray All-wool Overcoat, $6.75, at the Truefit, 621 Olive st.

PEARL PRESS—For sale, one second-hand Pearl press, good as new; form 7x11; cost when new $90; reason for selling, too small; make an offer f. o. b. St. Louis. Two stereotype METAL POTS and one FURNACE complete; two pipe type case frames; one piece SHAFTING, five iron PULLEYS, one wood split pulley, 60 feet pneumatic tubing, two pneumatic receiving stations, 100 COMPOSING STICKS. Make an offer, whole or in part. Add. Purchasing Agent, Post-Dispatch.

TO PRINTERS.

COMPOSITION—In agate, nonpareil or minion, any measure not exceeding 13½ pica ems. Special terms on large orders. Address W. E. Taylor, Post-Dispatch.

DANCING.

14 words or less, 20c.

GRAHAME'S WALTZ METHOD (copyrighted) teaches directly; lessons daily; agents wanted. Call hall, 1306 Olive.

WALTZ taught perfectly for $3 in private lessons. Prof. De Honey's Academy, 2715 Washington av.

HOUSEHOLD GOODS FOR SALE.

14 words or less, 20c.

FURNITURE, wardrobes, sewing machines, stoves, folding beds, carpets; time payments. Eagle Loan Co., 1238 Franklin.

FURNITURE—For sale, one elegant walnut bedroom suite, one double-door walnut wardrobe, with plate-glass mirrors in doors; one parlor suite; one walnut sideboard, marble top. 3948 Lincoln av.

HIGHEST CASH PRICES paid for furniture, carpets, stoves, feather beds. Wolf, 1010 Walnut st.

MUSICAL.

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THINKS THERE ARE OTHERS.

Says He Is Sorry Mahon Died, but Not That He Shot Him.

August Bethge, a private watchman occupying a cell at the Central Police Station, charged with the murder of ex-Police Officer Mahon Tuesday night, knows of seven men he has shot, and he thinks he has shot twice that many. The shooting and killing of ex-Policeman Edward J. Mahon made the seventh.

Bethge is a short and chunky German, who speaks English with difficulty. He has a long and bushy auburn beard that reaches nearly to the bottom of his vest. He wears a broad-brimmed brown slouch hat drawn down over his left eye in Arizona style.

About his waist he wears, when at liberty, a broad leather belt, and on the left side, in easy reach of the right hand, is a holster which incases a heavy revolver. This gun is of thirty-eight caliber, measures fourteen inches from butt to muzzle, and the handle peeps boldly out from under Bethge's overcoat.

"I forget most of the people I have shot," Bethge said to a reporter. "They were only common people and the circumstances were uninteresting.

"The first man I shot while I was an officer was Harry C. Boggs, a well-known burglar, who was driven out of St. Louis a few months ago. He was trying to escape from me in 1890 and I shot him in the leg. After he had been in the City Hospital two months he was sent to the penitentiary for several years.

"But when I was a boy of 7 years I shot a playmate in the shoulder with a toy pistol. That was accidental. When I was 17 years old I was shot at by a companion and a half hour later I had shot him twice, once in the neck and again in the arm.

"One night, ten years ago, I shot a man in the leg on Adams street. He was trying to break into a house. I don't remember his name.

"In June of 1887 I quarreled with a man named McCarthy at Seventeenth street and Franklin avenue, and when he tried to take my club away from me I shot him in the left breast over the heart, but the bullet glanced off on a rib.

"Christmas Day of 1887 a sewer inspector named Fullerton had a fight with a man whose name I forget. I separated them and Fullerton then started at me. I shot him in the ankle and in the right side. He got well and I was tried for assault with intent to kill, but was acquitted.

"In 1888 I saw Ed Barrett, a tough character, prowling around a store on Franklin avenue, and I shot him as I thought he would shoot me if he got a chance. The bullet broke the bone in his leg.

"The Board of Police Commissioners revoked my license for that, and I was again tried for assault with intent to kill and was again acquitted.

"Soon after that I got the Board to issue me another license as a private watchman, and I got my old beat back."

Bethge tells of these shootings as though he thought nothing of them. He thinks there are possibly many more that he has forgotten.

Mahon was the first man he killed. Bethge says he is sorry Mahon died, but he is not sorry he shot him.

BETHGE IS EXONERATED.

Coroner's Jury Holds That the Shooting Was Justified.

Coroner Wait and his jury Thursday morning returned a verdict which justified shooting and killing ex-Policeman Edward J. Mahon, Tuesday night.

Four medical students, who saw the tragedy, testified that there was not sufficient provocation to shoot to kill.

Several police officers testified as to Bethge's good character, one of them saying that he had known him fifteen years, and had never heard of him being in any other trouble.

The first witness was Mueller, the tamale man. He said that Mahon and King wanted to take his tamales away from him and that he had knocked King out in the street.

Then he began quarreling with Mahon, when Bethge came up and Mahon struck the watchman. Then Bethge fired a shot in the air and tried to fire the next shot into the ground, but the bullet struck Mahon and killed him.

Herman Bergfeld, a friend of Bethge, and a bartender, was passing the corner of Seventeenth street and Franklin avenue when the trouble occurred. His story was the same as that of Mueller. During the ten years he had known Bethge he never heard of him being in trouble.

King testified that Bethge had shot twice at Mahon after having struck him with his club. He said that Mahon struck Bethge after the watchman had struck him with a club. He did not know Bethge nor anything about his bloody record.

Albert Linder, L. W. Fowler, A. L. Siebold and E. A. Rich, all students attending the American Medical College on South Jefferson avenue, testified that they were passing the corner when the shooting occurred.

They had been to a lodge meeting at Seventeenth and Wash streets and were crossing Seventeenth street and Franklin avenue when they saw Mueller knock King out in the street and then saw Bethge run up and demand:

"What do you fellows mean?" He shoved his elbow into Mahon's neck and pushed him back. Mahon caught the watchman's club to keep himself from falling, and as he did so Bethge drew his revolver from his belt and fired the first time at Mahon's left hip. The witnesses could see by the flash of the revolver that the bullet had gone to the left. Then Bethge fired again, and that time the flash showed that the bullet had entered the ex-policeman's abdomen.

Edward Tam, a cigar maker, who was not with the party of medical students, testified to having seen substantially the same as that told by the students.

The jury retired and in five minutes returned with a verdict that Bethge had shot Mahon in the discharge of his duty, and that the homicide was justifiable.

The police will hold Bethge until Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Johnson decides whether or not he will issue a warrant for him.

MRS. MONAHAN'S TROUBLES.

Thinks She Is Food for Worms Before Her Time.

If Mrs. Mary Monahan's troubles are real there will soon be nothing left of her. She says worms are eating her up. They appear promptly at 4 a. m. and 5 p. m., attend strictly to business for an hour and then leave. She figures it out that at the present rate she will only last about ten days longer.

She called at the Dispensary to obtain a charm against her tormentors. Dr. Newcomb loaned her his rabbit foot and gave her a good strong talk.

She went away feeling better.

DEATH OF CAPT. PRICE.

His End Came in the Marine Hospital at Mobile.

Capt. Sol Price, formerly a well-known St. Louis river man, died at the Marine Hospital at Mobile, Ala., Wednesday afternoon.

Capt. Price came of a prominent Virginia family. He was a cousin of Gen. Sterling Price and of [illegible] Price, who disappeared from [illegible] several years ago and turned up as a full-fledged Mahatma, after being mourned as dead.

Capt. Price was in command of a regiment in the Confederate army during the war. He left St. Louis five years ago to embark in [illegible] business on the Lower Mississippi. He was a prominent [illegible].

a member of Aldemar Commandery, Knights Templar. His two daughters, Birdie and Ada, and his son Jesse reside in St. Louis with their grandmother, Mrs. Davies.

W. K. FREEMAN SENTENCED.

The Electrician Must Spend Over Seven Years in State's Prison.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Justice Smyth, in the criminal branch of the Supreme Court, sentenced Electrician Walter K. Freeman to seven years and nine months in State's prison. Freeman was convicted Monday night of assault on Sarah E. Work, on Jan. 13, 1894, when she was under 16 years of age.

Justice Smyth, in passing sentence, said he did not intend to refer to the disgusting details brought out in the trial. He characterized Freeman as a man with a thoroughly corrupt nature, and said that the fact that he was a married man with children aggravated his offense. The justice said he proposed to impose a sentence which would be a warning to other men of similar inclinations. On account of the jury's recommendation of mercy he felt obliged not to impose the full penalty of ten years' imprisonment, and therefore sentenced him to seven years and nine months in Sing Sing Prison.

Freeman stood impassively at the bar looking the justice in the eye while sentence was being imposed. There was an apparent sneer on his face. Lawyer Charles L. Brooke had moved for arrest of sentence and a new trial before sentence was imposed, but this was denied. An appeal will be taken to a higher court.

Freeman was tried once before for his relations with Sarah Work, and was convicted. He was sentenced to ten years' imprisonment, and after serving a brief term succeeded in having a second trial ordered.

SAD PLIGHT OF A LONE OLD MAN.

GEORGE ANDERSON DYING FROM STARVATION AND EXPOSURE.

LIKELY TO LOSE BOTH FEET.

He Thought St. Louis Was "Down South" and Was Careless During the Cold Spell.

George W. Anderson, 66 years old, is in a critical condition at the City Hospital. Both feet are frightfully frozen and he is near death's door from want and privation.

Anderson lived in a shanty boat at the foot of Anglerodt street, in Little Oklahoma. He floated down the river from Minnesota, and landed here last August. He wanted to escape the rigorous Minnesota winters, and when he reached St. Louis the city was in the grasp of the unheard-of heated spell. Hundreds of people were being overcome by the heat every day and the Morgue was crowded with victims of the heat.

Anderson thought he had gone far enough south and he tied up. He made a living by fishing and doing odd jobs. One day last week, during the intensely cold weather, he went down on Broadway to buy some provisions. He did not think the weather was so cold and did not realize that his feet were being frosted. When he reached home he worked around outdoors for a while and then went in to warm himself. When he began to toast his feet they began to pain him and he realized they were frostbitten. He got a pan of snow and held them in it until the snow became water. His feet continued to pain him. Then they began to swell. Next day the pain was more intense and the swelling increased until the skin on both heels broke. The toes were swollen and were so sore that he could not bear his weight on his feet.

He was kept to his bed and was unable to prepare his food. He was unprotected from the intense cold and lay for several days unattended. Some neighbors finally became alarmed at not seeing him and broke open the door to his boat. They did all they could for him, but could not ease his pain. His frozen feet continued to grow worse and Wednesday night he was sent to the City Hospital. Dr. Sutter says Anderson may lose both feet. Blood poison may set in from neglect and amputation may be necessary to save his life. The several days' privation has so weakened his constitution that he may not have strength to stand the operation.

CAPT. TURNER'S WILL.

It Leaves an Estate Estimated at Fifteen Million Dollars.

The will of the late Thomas T. Turner, who died recently in New Orleans, was filed at Clayton Thursday morning. It leaves an estate, estimated to be worth $15,000,000, to be disposed of by the courts of this State.

The heirs are Harriet F. Turner, living at Washington, D. C.; Zurinka D. Turner, daughter, St. Louis County; Juliet F. Waterman, daughter, Washington; Nancy D. Turner, Washington; Harriet S. Cook, St. Louis County; M. T. Turner, Washington; Theodore B. Turner, Montreal; Edith B. Turner, St. Louis County, and Walter Turner, aged 15, Washington, a son.

The will is dated Jan. 5, 1895, and is witnessed by L. W. Pierce, Elliot Gregus and W. H. Silver. The Mississippi Valley Trust Co. is executor.

Capt. Turner was the richest man in St. Louis County. He lived at Normandy.

AMERICAN COFFEE COMPANY.

The Big Havemeyer Concern Has Been Organized.

TRENTON, N. J., Feb. 4.—The American Coffee Co., with a capital stock of $100,000, all paid in, was incorporated here to-day in the office of the Secretary of State. The principal offices are located in Jersey City and the incorporators are Henry O. Havemeyer, Theodore Havemeyer, John E. Parsons and John F. Searles.

WILL LOSE BOTH LEGS.

Switchman Gallagher Fell Between Two Freight Cars.

John Gallagher, a switchman, fell between two freight cars in the 'Frisco yards at noon Thursday. His left leg and right foot were crushed. Amputation will be necessary.

Gallagher boarded at 3953 Chouteau avenue.

King Filed His Answer.

The King marital troubles came to light again Thursday, when Harry B. filed a general denial to Mildred's petition for divorce. It is expected that King will file a cross-bill before the case goes to trial.

Mrs. Pope's Will.

The inventory of the estate of Elizabeth Polk, widow of Trusten Polk, a Governor of Missouri before the war, was filed Thursday. The personal property is valued at $40,000. There is a large amount of real estate, the value of which is unknown.

Couldn't Stand the Expense.

A warrant for assault and battery was issued Thursday morning against Paul Kahtreman of 3659 Marine avenue on complaint of his wife Kate. She says he stormed at her because she went to the doctor's.

Fell Downstairs.

Baxter Clemens, 36 years old, fell down the steps at his houme, Eighth and Hickory streets, and was sent to the City Hospital with a broken left arm and several serious scalp wounds.

Workingmen's Bryan Club.

The Twelfth Ward Workingmen's Bryan Club holds a mass-meeting Thursday night at Plumer's Hall, corner Thirteenth and Benton streets.

To Aid the Needy.

A reader signing himself "R. D." has contributed $1 in aid of the needy.

MURDER SNIFFED BY A SHERIFF.

DEATH HERE OF BEN MORTON CAREFULLY INVESTIGATED.

HIS HOME WAS IN TEXAS.

The Man Died of Pneumonia, It Seems, and Suspicions of Foul Play Are Not Verified.

Sheriff Troll received a letter of inquiry Thursday from Sheriff W. S. Coffey of McKinney, Collins County, Tex., which has led him to make a careful investigation.

The letter stated that in the latter part of 1896, Ben Morton left McKinney with a companion whose name is not given. During the Christmas holidays, Morton died in St. Louis.

His companion returned to McKinney. He had Morton's pistol and check book and told conflicting stories of how Morton met his death. Two or three stubs in the book were marked "W. T. Briscoe, 812 North Ninth street," showing that checks had been drawn in his favor. The man also had several letters which he claimed had been written to him by Morton, but which were in his own handwriting. He refused to tell where Morton had died.

Deputy Sheriff Robert Walker was put on the case. At the Mortuary office he found that Morton died at 813 North Eleventh street on Jan. 2. The cause given was pneumonia. The death certificate was signed by Dr. James O'Gallagher, who lives at the same number. P. Monahan was the undertaker.

Dr. O'Gallagher related all the circumstances of the case that he could recall to mind.

"Morton, as I understand, came from Texas to go to a business college here," said he. "I do not know with whom he came. After he got here he changed his mind, and joined this barbers' college which is now located at Eleventh and Franklin avenue. He was on good terms with all of the others there, as far as I could observe. About Dec. 26 I was called over to the barbers' college to see him. He was then in Manager Briscoe's office. I saw then that he had pneumonia and treated him for it. I did not even know his name then, as they all called him 'Texas.' Briscoe asked me if I had a room in my house where Morton could stay until he got well. I referred them to my wife, and she rented them a room. Morton stayed in my house just a week. He came on a Saturday and the next Saturday he died.

"We telegraphed to a friend of his in McKinney, Tex. I don't recall the name. The Texas man then made arrangements for the funeral. I had in the meantime sent the body to Monahan's undertaking place.

"Morton had but very little property and I suppose we should have turned it over to the Public Administrator, but it was sent to the Texas man."

Manager Briscoe was seen at the barbers' college and told in substance the same story as did Dr. O'Gallagher.

"We did not think Morton was very sick when he went to Dr. O'Gallagher's," said Briscoe. "There could have been nothing wrong about his death, because I know of no enemies that he had. It was a plain case of pneumonia. As soon as he died we telegraphed to McKinney, and D. A. Crouch, an undertaker there, telegraphed about the funeral. We sent Morton's trunk and all of his property to Crouch."

Who Morton's companion from Texas was, neither Briscoe nor Dr. O'Gallagher can tell, as they say they never saw or heard of him. The only Texas man in the case that they know is Crouch, the undertaker.

TAPE MEN WORRIED.

Merchants' Exchange Declared to Come Under the Head of the Proscribed Institutions.

Assistant Circuit Attorney Hodgdon said Thursday morning that complaints had been filed with him against the tape games, bucket shops and gambling in general. Mr. Hodgdon thought it probable that some of the complainants would appear before the Grand-jury and give their testimony in the cases.

Fearing unfavorable action by the Grand-jury one or two of the tape games have closed their doors waiting for the threatened storm to blow over. The proprietors are trembling in their boots and are keeping a close eye on the bucket-shop operators whom they regard as the bane of their lives. It is said that the prosecution of the tape games will be made by men who run the bucket-shops and that proceedings against the bucket-shops will be conducted by men who run the tape games. There is a bitter enmity between the two classes of men, as each believes the other a menace to the success of his business.

Judge Thomas B. Harvey said Thursday that any proceeding against the bucket-shops would be a blow at the Merchants' Exchange, as that place was nothing more than a bucketshop on a great scale.

"The law against bucket-shops is clearly applicable to the Merchants' Exchange," said Judge Harvey. "There is no intention of delivering the goods when sales are made there, and hence it is no better than the bucket-shops, as far as that provision goes. The fact that the Merchants' Exchange is liable under the law probably explains why no attempts to push the bucket-shop law are made."

Col. Johnson said he had received no application for warrants against either the bucket shops or tape games.

"I am expecting applications for warrants against bucket shops most any day," said Col. Johnson. "I could not refuse to grant them if made in proper shape, as the operation of a bucket shop is a misdemeanor. The tape game cases I would refer to the Grand-jury. I understand, however, that when the time comes for them to be investigated they will all be closed.

"I am not prepared to say whether or not the Merchants' Exchange comes within the law against bucket shops. That is for the courts to determine."

Assistant Circuit Attorney Hodgdon says that if it can be proven that the members of the Merchants' Exchange are gambling that he will present the evidence to the Grand-jury, which will consider an indictment in the case.

The attorneys about the Four Courts differ materially in their opinion of the section governing bucket shops. Some hold that the Merchants' Exchange is liable while others claim that the section refers merely to those shops where fake quotations are served out to the public.

MILL CREEK SEWER.

There Is Another Crack Which Will Cause a Cave In.

The Mill Creek sewer is expected to collapse at Fourteenth and Gratiot streets in a day or two.

Sewer Commissioner Colby says the flow of water along the broken bottom has caused the side walls to settle in spite of the fact that most of the earth has been removed from it.

A longitudinal crack has appeared along the center of the arch. It spread an inch and a half Wednesday night. The teams have been withdrawn from the trench. The remaining dirt will be removed by derrick.

As the sewer is to be torn up any way, the only trouble to be anticipated is the probable obstruction due to the arch falling in. The cave-in will probably be less than a hundred feet in length.

THE MARKETS.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 4.

A dispatch from San Francisco states that the rain for six weeks indicates one of the best wheat crops ever raised in California.

Crop damage reports are coming in more frequently.

The Cincinnati Price Current says to-day: "Cold weather is improving the condition of Western corn, which is offering more liberally. The recent hard freezing believed to have done some injury to the wheat crop in various localities, but this is mostly conjecture."

French cables tend to confirm the report as to the poor condition of the French wheat crop.

The Bank of England has reduced its rate of discount to 3 per cent.

Trunk lines are cutting the rates on grain, both from here and Chicago to the seaboard.

Broomhall's Corn Trade News of Jan. 22 states: "There is no change of importance to report with regard to the crop situation in France. The weather being considered favorable."

The British Vice-Consul at Buenos Ayres, in reporting on the Argentine crops, calculates that a normal annual export of wheat from Argentine may now be placed at 40,000,000 bu. The crop is now produced over a wide area, and so a part is pretty sure to escape any ordinary disaster. Home consumption is placed at 24,000,000 bu. The surplus of corn in normal years is reckoned at 48,000,000 to 56,000,000 bu.

The Mark Lane Express says it is "surprised at the decline of wheat prices in the United States and remarks that the definite crop returns of 1896 do not warrant any such depression."

The European crop reports are generally favorable, but reports from Russia are very bad.

Wheat is still being sown in large quantities in California, and the crop this year will most likely be the largest ever produced in the State.

The opening cables were as follows:

Reports from the famine districts of India state that the rice crop is a failure, and ther is stotal lack of food stuff in many localities.

Liverpool—Spot wheat dull; demand poor; prices unchanged; futures dull ti steady; 1½ d lower. Corn—Spot quiet, ¼d lower; futures quiet, ¼d lower.

London—Wheat parcels, 3d lower. Cargoes of wheat arrived off coast dull; on passage slightly worse. Cargoes of corn off coast quiet; on passage slightly easier. English country markets easy.

Paris—Wheat—Feb., 5 cms lower; March, 20 cms lower; flour, 20 cms for Feb.; March, 15 cms lower to unchanged. French country markets firm.

Berlin—Wheat quiet, ¼ marks lower.

Secretary George H. Morgan is back at his desk in the office of the Exchange, after a ten days' trip to Washington.

Stocks of Grain in St. Louis Elevators.

	Thursday.	Wednesday.	Year Ago.
Wheat	1,490,548	1,541,227	1,380,726
Corn	2,904,071	2,841,974	531,271
Oats	317,947	328,326	646,797
Rye	31,872	31,171	4,462
Barley	5,094	5,788	10,202
No. 2 red winter	954,255	1,004,088	80,217
No. 2 hard winter	202,767	212,768	950,906
No. 2 corn	1,348,646	1,328,207	474,186
No. 2 white corn	67,488	65,983	25,760
No. 2 oats	139,030	124,030	154,998
No. 2 white oats	1,027	1,027	161,358
No. 2 rye	20,083	20,083	2,265

Regular Cash Market Prices.

	Thursday.	Wed'day.	Year Ago.
WHEAT.			
No. 2 red	84 b	83¼b	74 @73½n
No. 3			71
No. 4 winter			65¼
CORN.			
No. 2	20 b	19⅞	26⅞@26¼
No. 2 white	20⅞b	20¼@20⅞	26¾b
No. 3	18⅞	18¼	25⅝@26
OATS.			
No. 2	17¼b	17 b	19¼@19¼b
No. 3			18⅞b

Future Prices.

	Closed. Wed'day.	Highest. To-day.	Lowest. To-day.	Closed. Thursday.
WHEAT.				
Feb				
May	83 @83¼b	84¼@ ⅜	82¾	84¼@ ¼
July	70¾a	71¾b	69¾@ ¾a	71¼b
CORN.				
Feb	19⅝a	20⅛a	20⅛a	20¼a
May	21⅜	21⅜		21⅜
July	23 b	23 @ ⅛	23 @ ⅛	23 @ ⅛
OATS.				
May	18⅛b	18⅝b	18½@ ⅝b	18⅝b

CHICAGO—Reported by Gaylerd, Blessing & Co.

WHEAT.				
May	74⅞@75	76⅛	74¼	75¾
CORN.				
May	24	24¼	24	24¼
OATS.				
May	17⅝@17⅞b	17⅞@17⅞	17⅝	17⅞
PORK.				
May	$7.50	$7.60	$7.55	$7.57½
LARD.				
May	$3.85@87½	$3.87½	$3.80@82½	$3.80@82½
RIBS.				
May	$3.87½	$3.87½@90	$3.85@87½	$3.87½

CHICAGO CLOSE.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Wheat—Feb., 74c n; May, 75⅝c b; July, 72c; Sept., 70⅝c. Corn—Feb., 22⅛c; May, 24¼c n; July, 25⅝@⅝c; Sept., 26⅝c. Oats—Feb., 15⅝c; May, 17⅞c b.

CURB MARKETS.

St. Louis, 2:30 p. m.—May wheat, 84⅛c bid; puts, 83c; calls, 85⅝c bid.

Chicago—May wheat, 75⅝c; puts, 74⅝@⅞c; calls, 76⅜c. Corn—May corn, puts and calls, 24¼c.

WHEAT.

The opening was lower to-day on account of lower cables, but Chicago did not respond to our break, and after a few wide fluctuations the market began to advance slowly.

Receipts in the Northwest were moderate and local receipts very light. Foreign demand was light and there was very little speculation.

Receipts at Minneapolis and Duluth to-day were 229 cars, as compared with 514 cars a year ago.

Receipts at St. Louis to-day were 8,900 bu, as compared with 29,700 bu a year ago. Of these receipts six cars, or the whole amount, was local, as compared with 200 sacks and 43 cars local a year ago.

May wheat opened at 82⅛c, nearly a cent lower than the close yesterday. It sold up to 82⅜c, was offered down to 82⅛c, sold up to 82⅜c, down again to 82⅛c and then was bid up to 82⅝@¾c. Here it weakened and sold down to 82⅛c. At this point the bulls took hold and run it up to 83⅛@⅜c, but by call time it had again dropped back to 83⅛c.

July opened at 70c bid, ⅝c less than was asked at the close yesterday. It sold at 69⅞@70c, then at 70c, was offered down to 69⅝@¾c, was bid up to 70⅛c, sold at 70⅛c, then at 70¼c, and began to decline again.

Spot Grades—On call there was nothing done, a bid of 84c East side for No. 2 red was the only mention made of wheat.

The sample market was again dead dull, as there was no real good wheat offered. The market was nominally higher. One car No. 2 red winter wheat sold at 86½c, East Side, switched, but some holders were asking 90 cents.

Five thousand bushels sold from the elevators at 86c, switched; 9,000 bushels sold to go out p. t. The lower grades were not wanted.

The closing cables were as follows:

Liverpool—Spot wheat ½d lower; futures 1¼d lower. Corn—Spot ¼d lower; futures, ¼d lower.

Paris—Wheat 25 cms lower; flour, 35@50 cms lower.

Berlin—Wheat, 1½ marks lower.

Beerbohm cables that the average condition of the French crop is 62 per cent, as compared with 89 per cent last year.

The London stocks of wheat are 1,680,000 bushels, a decrease of 112,000 bushels since Jan. 1.

The stocks of corn are 2,000,000 bushels, a decrease of 128,000 bushels. The stocks of flour are 420,000 bbls, an increase of 20,000 bbls.

Clearances of wheat and flour to-day were equal to 336,000 bushels, of which 16,000 bushels were from New Orleans.

Pillsbury reports a large sale of flour to go to South Africa, the first direct sale ever made in that direction.

Receipts of wheat at primary points to-day were 286,000 bushels, as compared with 492,000 bushels a year ago. The shipments were 128,000 bushels, as compared with 216,000 bushels a year ago.

After call May wheat became strong and sold up to 84⅛c, and fluctuated between 83⅞c and 84⅛c until the close. July was bid up to 71⅛c.

May wheat closed firm at 81⅛@¼c bid, after selling up to 81⅛@⅜c. July closed at 71⅛c bid, and August closed at 69⅝c nominal, after being offered at 69⅞@¾c earlier in the day.

CORN.

There was no trading in this option before Call, but the feeling was firm, in spite of the lower cables. Receipts were lighter and the Price Current's review was encouraging.

News in regard to the Argentine crop is more favorable.

Receipts at St. Louis to-day were 99,400 bu, as compared with 22,515 bu a year ago. Of these receipts 94 cars were local, as compared with 320 sacks and 30 cars local a year ago.

May corn opened at 21⅛c bid, the same as yesterday's close, and then had 21⅛@⅜c bid.

July was offered at 23c, but there were no sales before Call.

Spot grades—On Call No. 2 mixed corn was offered at 20⅝c regular, with 20c bid. No. 2 white corn was offered at 21c regular and 20⅝c was bid Burlington and Farmers'.

No. 3 white corn was not offered, but had 19½c bid Farmers'. No. 3 mixed corn sold at 18⅛c Advance. No. 4 mixed sold at 15½c East side and no grade sold at 13c this side.

The sample market was dead dull, but nominally firm, as there were none offered. No. 3 white corn sold at 21c on track and some ear corn was offered at 23c to 23½c.

Clearances of corn to-day were 448,000 bu, of which 168,000 bu were from New Orleans.

Receipts at primary points to-day were 616,000 bu, as compared with 183,000 bu a year ago. The shipments were 128,000 bu, as compared with 117,000 bu a year ago.

May corn continued strong, in sympathy with wheat, and sold up to 21⅝c, and closed at that. July sold at 23@⅛c and closed at that. February closed at 20⅛c sellers, March at 20⅜c sellers and September at 24¼c bid.

OATS.

There were no oats offered in the pit before call, but higher prices were bid.

Receipts were fairly heavy and there was little other news to affect prices.

Receipts at St. Louis to-day were 29,700 bu, as compared with 16,500 bu a year ago. Of these receipts 23 cars were local, as compared with 19 cars local a year ago.

May oats opened at 18⅝c bid, ⅛c higher than was bid yesterday.

Spot Grades—On call No. 2 oats were offered at 18c regular and had 17½c bid United, but the other grades were entirely neglected.

The sample market was quiet, but firmer, on account of the light receipts. No. 2 mixed sold at 17½c to 18c, and fancy No. 2 Northern sold at 19c. No. 3 mixed sold at from 15½c to 16c and No. 4 mixed at 15¼@15½c.

No. 2 white sold at 22c to 22½c. No. 3 white at 17½c to 20c and No. 4 white at 15c to 17c.

May oats closed at 18⅞ asked and 18⅝c bid, but there were no sales.

RYE.

Receipts, 700 bu; shipments, 3,310 bu.

On call there was not a single bid or offer on any of the grades.

FLOUR AND FEED.

FLOUR—Receipts at St. Louis, 2,000 bbls; shipments, 2,545 bbls. Market continues quiet. Prices unchanged.

Patents	$4 45@4 65
Extra fancy	4 10@4 20
Fancy	3 40@3 60
Choice	3 00@3 15
Rye Flour	2 60@2 80
Cornmeal	1 35

BRAN—Market quiet, but firm. Bulk bran worth about 34c. Skd bran E. trk worth nominally 40@41c; 39@40c for country points. This side worth nominally 42@44c.

HAY.

Receipts, 585 tons; shipments, 269 tons. Market continues quiet and steady. Timothy—Choice $10 @11; No. 1, $9@9.50; No. 2, $6.50@8.50; No. 3, $5.50@6. Prairie, $4@4.50 for common, $5@6 for No. 2, $6.50 for No. 1 and $7@7.50 for choice.

STRAW—$4@4.50 per ton for wheat; rye, $6 @6.50.

PROVISIONS.

PORK—Market dull and the feeling weak, but prices generally unchanged. Standard mess, $8.05@8.10 per bbl for new and $7.50 for old; on orders, 50c per bbl higher.

LARD—Prime steam, 3.65c; choice, 3.75@3.87½c.

LEAF LARD—In tierces, 4.50c for pure.

BACON—Jobbing sales, boxed lots: Shoulders, 4.50c; extra short clear, 4⅝c; clear ribs, 4⅞c; clear sides, 5c; on orders ¼c higher.

D. S. MEATS—Boxed lots: Shoulders, 4¼c; extra short clear, 4⅛c; clear ribs, 4.40c; clear sides, 4.50c. On orders by dealers, ¼c higher.

BREAKFAST BACON—On orders, 7@10½c per pound.

SUGAR-CURED HAMS—On orders, 9@11c.

BEEF—Mess, $6.50@7.50 per bbl; dried, 9@11c per b; tongues, $4.50@5 per doz.

SEEDS AND CASTOR BEANS.

GRASS SEEDS—Timothy, common to fair, $1.50 @2.30; prime, $2.50; clover, weedy and trashy, $2.50@3.50; good to choice, $5@6.40; red top, inferior, $1@2; good, $3@5; choice, $6.50@8; fancy, $10@13; millet and Hungarian, 40@70c.

FLAXSEED—Unchanged at 73½c.

HEMPSEED—$1.90@1.95.

CASTOR BEANS—Car lots prime, $1.25; broken cars less.

BARLEY—Little doing; worth nominally from 28c to 40c.

LEAD AND SPELTER.

LEAD—Market continues strong at $2.95 for soft Missouri and $3 for desilverized refined.

SPELTER—Very dull at $2.70.

ON THE STREET.

(The Post-Dispatch quotations are for lots in first hands, unless otherwise quoted. Orders are filled with choice goods and are higher.)

BUTTER AND CHEESE.

BUTTER—Market quiet and steady.

CREAMERY.		DAIRY.	
Extra Elgin	21	Extras	15 @16
Firsts	17½@19½	Firsts	12 @13
Seconds	14½@16½	Seconds	10 @10½
COUNTRY STOCK.		LADLE-PACKED.	
Packed	6½@ 7½	Fair	7½@ 9
Roll	6½@10½	Choice	9½@11½

GREASE BUTTER—Average receipts, 3c.

CHEESE—Quiet. Wisconsin—Full cream, twins, 10½c; singles, 10⅝c; Y. A., 10¾c; Southern Wisconsin and Illinois—Twins, 8@8½c; singles, 8¼@9c; brick, from 6½c for poor to 9c for choice; Swiss, 11@12c.

EGGS.

Receipts, 2,635 cases; shipments, 881 cases. The market was steady to-day, as the receipts were moderate, but demand very indifferent. Quote 11½c for good run.

POULTRY, GAME AND VEALS.

LIVE POULTRY—The receipts were moderate, but the demand continues light and the market dull and weak, but prices generally unchanged. Quotations: Chickens—Young hens, 6½c per lb for straight lots; mixed lots of hens and roosters, 6c per lb; young roosters and old hens, 5¼c; old roosters, 3½c. Ducks, 8@8½c per lb. Geese, 4@4½c per lb. Turkeys selling at 9c per lb for average receipts. Pigeons, 75c per dozen.

DRESSED POULTRY—The receipts were moderate, but the demand light and the market weak. Quotations: Turkeys, 8c for old toms, 9c for young gobblers and 10c for young hens undrawn, to 11c for choice scalded and drawn young hens; ducks, 9@10c; geese, nominally 6@8c; chickens, 6c for undrawn to 6½c for drawn; roosters, 4@4½c.

GAME—Market quiet, with fair demand for choice stock. Ducks—Mallard, $3.50 per dozen; teal, $1.25 for green wing and $1.50 for blue wing; canvas-back, $6; mixed, $1.25. Antelope—Carcasses, 5@6c per lb. Rabbits, 40@50c; jack rabbits, 60@75c; jack snipe, $1.75.

VEALS—Market quiet and steady; receipts heavy, but demand continues fairly good. Quotations: Choice, 4½@5c; large and poor, 4@4½c.

LAMBS—Choice, 2¾@3c per lb; small stock less.

SHEEP—Steady at 2@2½c per lb; bucks, 1½c.

Coffee.

Reported by the Hanley & Kinsella Coffee and Spice Co.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 3.

	1st Call.	2d Call.	3d Call
February	9.35b	....	....
March	9.35	....	....
April	9.35	....	....
May	9.45	....	....
June	9.40b	....	....
July	9.45b	....	....

Mail Pouch coffee, 14.35.

RIO—No. 7 Coffee Exchange standard, 10 mil, 350; exchange, 8 21-32; receipts, nil; clearances U. S., 1,000; Europe, 1,000; stock, 318,000; market firm.

SANTOS—Receipts two days, 108,000; stock, 557,000; market steady; good average Santos, 11 mil, 200; cleared from Rio Feb. 3, steamer Georgian Prince, 17,000.

COTTON.

LOCAL MARKET—Quiet and unchanged. Sales 800 bales. Quotations: Ordinary, 6c; good ordinary, 6⅝c; low middling, 6⅞c; middling, 7c; good middling, 7¼c; middling fair, 7⅝c. Tinges ½c and stains ⅝c below white.

Liverpool—Demand fair; prices hardening. Uplands, 3 31-32d; sales 10,000 bales; futures closed quiet. Feb., 3 57-64d; Feb. and March, 3 62-54d; March and April, 3 58-64d; April and May, 3 59-64d; May and June, 3 60-64d; June and July, 3 60-64d; July and Aug., 3 61-64d.

WAREHOUSE STATEMENT TO-DAY.

	1896-97.	1895-96.
Net receipts to-day	....	357
Net receipts since Sept. 1	92,248	102,214
Gross receipts to-day	478	2,608
Gross receipts since Sept. 1	424,485	458,431
Net shipments to-day	886	2,785
Net shipments since Sept. 1	390,198	391,592
Gross shipments to-day	408	534
Gross shipments since Sept. 1	57,961	35,007
Stock on hand	52,160	74,388

NEW YORK—Spot quiet; middling, 7¼c. Futures closed steady. Sales, 63,000 bales.

Reported by Gaylord, Blessing & Co.

	Closing Wed'day.	Highest To-day.	Lowest To-day.	Closing Wed'day.
February	7.00	7.02	6.97	6.99
March	7.05	7.07	7.03	7.04
April	7.11	7.13	7.09	7.11
May	7.17	7.20	7.16	7.17
June	7.22	7.24	7.21	7.23
July	7.27	7.29	7.25	7.29
August	7.27	7.25	7.25	7.29

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—The decline at which wheat opened this morning was forecasted by the Liverpool market. Some cables reported that market as much as 1½d lower, with "wheat pressing for sale." There was less for sale immediately at the opening than is usual after such news and May, which had opened at 74⅝@74½c, compared with yesterday's close of 74⅞@75c, sold for a moment at 74⅝c. Then the offerings for a time became liberal and a decline to 74⅛c ensued. Trading was almost altogether of a scalping nature, and when the price had reached 74⅛c active covering started, bringing about a reaction to 74⅝c, where May sold at the end of the first hour's trading. Northwest receipts were moderate, 229 cars, against 182 last week and 514 last year.

Corn was unusually quiet during the morning, with prices confined to ⅛c fluctuation, and most of the trading in the July option. Local receipts were liberal, 575 cars. May opened unchanged at 24c and held at about that price. July was quoted at 25⅛c. Oats were quiet and easier on a liquidation of a few short lines. Local receipts amounted to 305 cars. May opened unchanged at 17⅝@17⅞c and eased off to 17½@17⅝c. Provisions were helped at the opening by a firm hog market. Offerings were fairly liberal and the market, which had anything but a firm undertone, weakened somewhat. May pork opened 2½c higher at $7.57½@7.60, and eased off to $7.55. May lard opened a shade higher at $3.87½ and declined to $3.82½. May ribs a shade higher at $3.85@3.87½.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Cash wheat, No. 2 red, 84@86c; No. 3 do, 80@83c; No. 2 spring, 74@74½c; No. 3 do, 68@72c; No. 2 hard winter, 77@80c; No. 3 do, 71@75c; No. 1 Northern spring, 76c. Corn—No. 2, 22⅛c; No. 3, 19½@20c. Oats—No. 2, 16c; No. 3, 15@17c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Close: Wheat—February, 74c; May, 75⅝c; July, 72c; September, 70⅝c. Corn—February, 22⅛c; May, 24¼c; July, 25⅝@⅝c; September, 26⅝c. Oats—February, 15⅝c; May, 17⅞c; July, 18⅝c. Pork—February, $7.47½; May, $7.57½; July, $7.70. Lard—February, $3.70; May, $3.80@3.82½; July, $3.87½@3.90. Ribs—February, $3.85; May, $3.87½; July, $3.95@3.97½.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Rye—Cash, 34½c; May, 36⅝c. Barley—Cash No. 3 new, 24@33c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Dressed poultry easy. Turkeys, 11@12c; chickens, 6@7c; ducks, 10@11c. Butter firm; creameries, 9@17c. Eggs steady; fresh, 13c.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Flax, 74½c; May, 77½c; July, 78½c; Sept., 79½c. Timothy—Cash, $2.80; March, $2.85.

PEORIA, Ill., Feb. 4.—Corn easy; new No. 2, 19½c. Oats quiet; No. 2 white, 20@20½c. Rye dull, nominal. Whisky market steady; finished goods on the basis of $1.17 for highwines. Receipts—Corn, 168,800 bu; oats, 53,500 bu; rye, 600 bu; whisky, 75 bbls; wheat, 2,400 bu. Shipments—Corn, 59,300 bu; oats, 34,000 bu; rye, none; whisky, 600 bbls; wheat, 600 bu.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—Wheat fairly active, about unchanged; No. 2 hard nominally 75@78c; No. 2 red nominally, [illegible]; No. 2 spring, 75@76c. Corn dull, lower; No. 2 mixed, 7¾d. Oats steady; No. 2 white, 17⅝@20c. Rye—No. 2, 30c. Hay steady, unchanged. Butter firm, slightly higher; creamery, 17½@19c; dairy, [illegible]. Eggs steady, 11½c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Butter receipts, 4,833 packages; firm, Western creamery, 12@21c; Elgin, 21c; factory, 7@14c. Cheese—Receipts, 3,724 packages; quiet. State large, 8¼@12¼c; do small, 8¼@12¼c; part skims, 5@9¼c; full skims, 3@3¼c. Eggs—Receipts, 4,651 packages; steady. State and Penna., 16½; Western, 13@15.

Sugar quiet; refining, 2⅞c; centrifugal 96 test, 3¼@3 16c; refined quiet; crushed, 4⅝c; powdered, 4⅛c; granulated, 4⅛c. Coffee, dull.

LIVERPOOL, Feb. 4.—Close—Wheat—Spot dull; futures steady; Feb. 6s 3¼d; March 6s 4½d; May 6s 4¾d; July 6s 4d. Corn—Spot steady; futures quiet; Feb. 2s 8d; March 2s 8¼d; April 2s 8¼d; May 2s 8½d; July 2s 9½d.

LIVE STOCK.

National Stock Yards.

NATIVE CATTLE—Receipts, 923. Market strong and generally a shade better on best cattle.

SALES.

No.	Description.	Av.	Price.
9	cows and heifers	786	$3 70
14	cows	810	2 90
2	cows	945	2 63
2	cows	536	2 35
1	cow and calf	...	30 00
19	calves	101	5 75
7	heifers	314	1 85
13	oxen	930	2 35
23	oxen	1043	2 60
3	stags	1128	3 00
3	steers	760	3 25
5	steers	760	3 40
2	steers	890	3 50
9	steers	966	3 70
50	steers	617	3 75
12	steers	1042	3 95
20	steers	1258	4 50

Texas—Receipts, 1,212; market strong and a shade higher on good stock.

SALES.

No.	Description.	Av.	Price.
65	cows	764	$2 50
4	oxen	1545	3 50
19	bulls	1243	3 00
17	steers	930	3 30
43	steers	929	3 00
228	steers	987	3 80
330	steers	1026	3 80
38	steers	1132	3 85
42	steers	1136	3 95

Sheep—Receipts, 886; market strong.

SALES.

No.	Description.	Av.	Price.
1	buck	190	$3 00
43	natives	89	3 90
27	native	108	3 90
64	lambs	71	5 00
23	lambs	81	5 25

HOGS—Receipts, 5,926. Market a shade higher.

SALES.

No.	Av.	Price.	No.	Av.	Price.
136	109	$3 00	70	173	$3 32½
68	170	3 35	51	142	3 35
75	216	3 35	100	152	3 35
80	223	3 37½	93	200	3 40
86	185	3 40	73	170	3 40
88	188	3 40	72	192	3 40
77	243	3 45	92	193	3 45
64	194	3 45	49	184	3 45

HORSES AND MULES—Receipts, 264. Market dull and spiritless and no improvement over the early part of week. There is not much hope for a good market at this late day and stock is being sold low to avoid being held over.

Live Stock by Telegraph.

CHICAGO, Feb. 4.—Hogs—Official receipts yesterday, 33,822; shipments, 6,879. Cattle—Receipts, 11,909; shipments, 3,290. Sheep—Receipts, 6,696; shipments, 770. Estimated receipts hogs to-morrow, 19,000. Receipts hogs, 22,000; left over, 4,000; market active, mostly 5c higher; light, $3.35@3.50; mixed, $3.30@3.47½; heavy, $3.15@3.45; rough, $3.15@3.20. Cattle—Receipts, 5,500; market strong to 15c higher; beeves, $3.55@5.35; cows and heifers, $1.80@4.15; Texas steers, $3.10@4.20; stockers and feeders, $3.25@4.20. Sheep—Receipts, 14,000; market steady.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 4,000; shipments, 4,200; market strong, 10c higher; Texas steers, $3.15@3.80; Texas cows, $2@2.75; native steers, $3.25@4.80; native cows and heifers, $1.25@3.75; stockers and feeders, $3@4.10; bulls, $2.45@3.35. Hogs—Receipts, 10,000; shipments, 600; market strong, 5c higher; bulk of sales, $3.20@3.30; heavies, $3.15@3.25; packers, $3.10@3.27½; mixed, $3.20@3.35; lights, $3.10@3.25; yorkers, $3.25@3.30; pigs, $2.90@3.10. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000; shipments, 200; market strong; lambs, $3@4.70; muttons, $3.10@3.75.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 4.—Cattle—Receipts, 3,500; market strong to 10c higher. Native beef steers, $3.50@4.75; Western steers, $3.25@4.25; Texas steers, $3@4; cows and heifers, $2.75@3.60; canners, $2@2.75; stockers and feeders, $2.25@4.20; calves, $3@5.50; bulls, stags, etc., $2.25@3.50. Hogs—Receipts, 4,500; market shade to 5c higher; heavy, $3.15@3.30; mixed, $3.20@3.25; light, $3.30@3.37½; bulk of sales, $3.20@3.40. Sheep—Receipts, 2,000. Market stronger; fair to choice natives, $3@3.75; fair to choice Westerns, $2.80@3.50; common and stock sheep, $2.25@3.30; lambs, $3.50@5.

MONEY.

EXCHANGE—Quoted by A. G. Edward & Son.
New York—Par bid; 25c premium asked.
Cincinnati—25c discount bid; par asked.
Chicago—Par bid; 25c premium asked.
Louisville—25c discount bid; par asked.
New Orleans—25c discount bid; par asked.
Discount rates at St. Louis banks steady at 7 per cent call and 8 per cent time loans.

St. Louis bank clearings to-day were $4,438,013, and balances, $1,031,922.

Silver Quotations.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—Silver certificates, 64¼@65¼c; no sales. Bar silver, 64⅝c. Mexican dollars, 50⅝c.

New York Stocks.

Corrected daily by Whitaker & Hodgman, bond and stock brokers, 300 North Fourth street.

ST. LOUIS, Feb. 4.

STOCKS.	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
American Spirits	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝	13⅝
American Tobacco, com	72¾	73½	72¾	73⅛
do pfd	103			103
Atchison, com	15	15¼	14⅞	14¾
do pfd	25¼	25¼	25	25
do 4s	82⅜	82⅜	82¼	82¼
Baltimore & Ohio	15¼			15¼
Canada Southern	45			45
Ches. & Ohio, com	17⅛	17⅝	17⅛	17½
Central New Jersey	100	100	99	99
Chicago Gas Trust	78	78	77½	77⅝
C. C. C. & St. L.	28	28	27	27½
Chi., R. I. & Pacific	67⅛	67⅛	67⅛	67⅜
Chi., Bur. & Quincy	78	78	77½	77⅝
Chi., M. & St. P., com	76⅝	76⅝	76⅛	76⅝
Chi. & N. W., com	104½			104½
Del., Lack. & W.	152¼	152¼	151½	152
Delaware & Hudson	108	108	107⅝	107⅝
Edison General	36	36	35½	35½
Hocking Valley	10	10	9⅞	10
Illinois Steel Co.	36¼			36¼
Laclede Gas bonds	94	94¼	94	94¼
Lake Shore	153⅜			153⅜
Louisville & Nashville	51⅛	51⅛	50⅞	51
Lead, com	23⅛	23⅛	22⅞	23
do pfd	89½	89¼	89¼	89¼
Misouri Pacific	22½	22½	22	22¼
M., K. & T. pfd	30⅜			30⅜
do 4s	83⅞	84	83⅞	84
do 2ds	60¼	60¼	60	60
Manhattan Elevated	90	90	89⅝	90
Northern Pac. com	15⅛	15⅝	15⅛	15⅜
do pfd	37⅞	38⅛	37⅞	37⅞
New York Cen	93⅛			93⅛
Omaha com	49⅜	49⅜	48⅞	48⅞
Pacific Mail	25⅜	25⅜	25¼	25¼
Phil. & Reading	26⅛	26⅝	26⅛	26⅛
do 4 per cent ctfs	81⅜	82	81⅜	81⅞
Southern Ry. com	9⅛			9⅛
do pfd	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛	29⅛
Sugar com	116⅞	116⅞	114⅜	114⅜
do pfd	103⅛	103⅛	102⅞	102⅞
Ten. Coal and Iron	30	30	29⅝	29⅞
Texas & Pac. 2ds	21⅛			21⅛
Union Pacific	7⅛	7⅝	7⅛	7⅝
U. S. Leather com	8⅛			8⅛
do pfd	60⅛	60⅛	59⅞	59⅞
U. S. Rubber pfd	75⅜	75⅜	75	75
Western U. T. Co.	83⅛	83⅛	82⅝	83
Wabash pfd	16⅛	16⅛	16	16

Wall Street.

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—The stock market opened irregular, but mainly higher, influenced by the announcement that the Bank of England had reduced the rate of discount to 3 per cent. The Grangers generally were extremely dull, industrials being most actively traded in.

The receipt of news of unfavorable traffic statements for the fourth week and month of January of many leading lines, coupled with considerable liquidation of Sugar, accelerated the reactionary movement in the second hour. The concessions were most prominent in the low priced securities. Transactions for the foreign account were moderate and included sales of the principal international securities. Railway mortgages were fairly active and generally steady, despite the extensive realizations in some foreshadowing, which were conspicuous in the recent advance. The sales of stocks to noon were 179,000.

The improvement was arrested by a drive against the high-priced industrials, with Leather preferred reacting 1½. Sugar lost a fraction and was affected by the reports in circulation as to the impending Washington developments and the progress of the litigation with the Arbuckle interests in the Woolson receivership case. The changes in the railway stocks were not material, aside from Northern Pacific preferred, which was well supported on the negotiations in progress for more harmonious arrangements with the transcontinental lines.

Noon—Money on Call nominally 1½@2 per cent; prime mercantile paper, 3@4. Sterling exchange steady, with actual business in bankers' bills at $4.86¼@4.86½ for demand and $4.84½@4.84¾ for sixty days. Posted rates, $4.85@4.85½ and $4.87½@4.88. Commercial bills, $4.83½. Silver certificates, 64¼@65¼c; no sales. Bar silver, 64⅝c. Mexican dollars, 50⅝c.

Governments weak; new 4s, reg., 122¼; do coupons, 122¼; 5s, reg. and coupons, 113¼; 4s, reg., 111⅛; do coupons, 112; 2s, reg., 95½; Pacific 6s of '98, 101¾.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—Consols for money, 113 5-16; for account, 113 15-16.

TRAVELER'S GUIDE.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE OF THROUGH TRAINS AT UNION STATION, ST. LOUIS TIME.

For schedule of suburban trains see regular railroad time cards.

AIR LINE.

LOUISVILLE, EVANSVILLE & ST. LOUIS CONSOLIDATED RAILROAD.

Trains.	Depart.	Arrive.
Louisville Mail and Express, daily	7:40 am	7:25 pm
Louisville Express, daily	8:25 pm	7:30 am

BLUFF LINE.

ST. L., C. & ST. P. R. R.—UNION STATION.

Alton, Jerseyville, Grafton and Springfield, daily, ex. Sunday	8:30 am	7:15 pm
Alton, Jerseyville, Grafton and Springfield, daily, ex. Sunday	5:13 pm	11:16 am

B. & O. S. W. RY.

Cincinnati Local Exp., ex. Sun.	7:16 am	6:29 pm
Royal Blue Flyer, Cincinnati, Louisville, Washington, Baltimore and New York, daily	8:20 am	6:50 pm
Cincinnati, Louisville & Pittsburg Express, daily	8:00 pm	7:18 am
Cincinnati, Louisville, Washington and New York Fast Line, daily	8:00 am	7:18 am
Flora (Ill.) Accommodation, except Sunday	5:50 pm	9:35 am
Fast Express and Mail, daily		12:40 pm

BIG FOUR ROUTE.

CLEVELAND, CINCINNATI, CHICAGO & ST. LOUIS RAILWAY.

Day Express, daily	7:28 am	5:34 pm
Knickerbocker Special, daily	12:00 m	6:26 pm
Mattoon Accom., daily ex. Sun.	4:20 pm	9:36 am
Boston, New York, Cincinnati & Washington Exp., daily	8:25 pm	7:30 am

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

ST. L., K. & N. W. R. R.—UNION STATION.

Trains.	Depart.	Arrive.
Minneapolis, St. Paul, daily	11:30 am	8:17 pm
Denver, Lincoln, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Leavenworth, Montana, North Pacific Coast, Black Hills and California Express, daily	8:45 pm	7:19 am
Hannibal, Quincy, Keokuk and Burlington Night Exp., daily	7:40 pm	6:59 am
Kansas City, Atchison, St. Joseph, daily	7:41 am	9:10 pm
Fast Mail—Hannibal, Quincy & Burlington	2:55 am	.....
Local Passenger from Hannibal, daily	.....	11:13 am
St. Paul and Minneapolis, daily except Saturday	7:40 pm	.....

CLOVER LEAF.

TOLEDO, ST. LOUIS & KANSAS CITY RY.

Mail and Express, daily	7:44 am	5:56 pm
Toledo Express, daily	7:01 pm	7:40 am
Indianapolis Night Express	7:01 pm	7:40 am
Indianapolis Day Express	7:44 am	5:56 pm

CHICAGO & ALTON.

Trains.	Depart.	Arrive.
Chicago Limited, daily	8:36 am	7:08 pm
Chicago Palace Express, daily	9:00 pm	7:28 am
Chicago Midnight Special, daily	11:31 pm	8:04 am
Chicago Day Local Exp., daily	11:15 am	6:00 pm
Springfield Accom., daily	5:05 pm	10:53 am
Jacksonville Accom., daily except Sunday	5:05 pm	10:53 am
Kansas City Vestib. Lim., daily	9:00 pm	7:08 am
Kansas City Day Express, daily	8:16 am	7:36 pm
Peoria Day Express, daily except Sunday	11:15 am	7:08 pm
Peoria Midnight Special, daily except Saturday	11:31 pm	

COTTON BELT.

ST. LOUIS SOUTHWESTERN RAILWAY.

Cotton Belt Express, daily	7:50 am	6:50 pm

C., P. & ST. L.

Peoria and Jacksonville Mail daily, except Sunday	7:36 am	7:28 pm
Peoria and Jacksonville Express	8:15 pm	6:53 am
Jacksonville and Springfield Accommodation, daily, except Sunday	4:30 pm	11:00 am

C., B. & Q. R. R.

Rock Island, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Peoria, LaCrosse and Dubuque Express, daily	8:21 am	8:21 pm
Rock Island, Bushnell, Galesburg, Peoria Express, daily	8:10 pm	7:05 am

FRISCO LINE.

ST. LOUIS AND SAN FRANCISCO RAILROAD.

Arkansas and Texas Mail, daily	8:25 am	6:20 pm
Kansas and Oklahoma Mail, da.	8:25 am	6:20 pm
Texas Limited (Vestibuled) for Dallas, Houston, Galveston and San Antonio, daily	8:20 pm	7:25 am
Arkansas, Kansas, Colorado and California Express, daily	8:20 pm	7:35 am

ILLINOIS CENTRAL.

NORTH—CHICAGO LINE.

Chicago Daylight Special, daily	8:32 am	6:24 pm
Chicago Diamond Special, daily	9:10 pm	7:24 am
SOUTH.		
New Orleans Fast Mail—Cairo, Memphis, Paducah and Metropolis Express, daily	8:00 am	7:16 pm
New Orleans Limited—Paducah, Cairo, Memphis and Vicksburg Express, Florida Short Line, daily	8:00 pm	7:16 am
Chester and Perryville Express, daily, except Sunday	8:00 am	11:33 am
Chester and Sparta Express, daily, except Sunday	4:25 pm	7:16 pm
Sparta Express, daily, ex. Sun.	8:00 am	7:16 pm

IRON MOUNTAIN ROUTE.

Texas, El Paso and California Express, daily	3:05 am	7:15 pm
Delta, Columbus, Cairo and Shreveport Express, daily	7:50 am	6:50 pm
Houston and Galveston Express, daily	9:40 am	5:41 pm
Texas Special, Dallas, Ft. Worth, Galveston, San Antonio and Laredo, daily	8:15 pm	7:25 am
Memphis and Hot Springs Express, daily	8:37 pm	7:00 am

L. & N. R. R.

Fast Mail to Evansville, Nashville, Chattanooga, Atlanta, Birmingham, Mobile, New Orleans and Jacksonville (Fla.), daily	8:40 am	7:20 pm
Southern Express to Evansville, Nashville, Birmingham, Mobile, New Orleans, Thomasville, Jacksonville and Tampa (Fla.), daily	9:25 pm	7:20 am

MISSOURI PACIFIC RY.

Fast Mail, daily	2:05 am	10:10 pm
Local Passenger, daily	7:45 am	6:00 pm
Day Express, daily	9:00 am	6:15 pm
Kan. City, Omaha, Lincoln and Southern Kansas Exp., daily	8:10 pm	7:18 am
Washington Accommodation, except Sunday	5:25 pm	7:55 am
Kan. City, St. Joseph, Omaha, Southern Kansas and Colorado Fast Line, daily	9:15 pm	7:20 am

M., K. & T.

Boonville, Sedalia, Clinton, Ft. Scott, Parsons and Indian Territory Express	9:00 am	6:01 pm
Fort Worth, Dallas, Taylor, Waco and Austin Express	8:20 pm	7:27 am
Fort Worth, Dallas, San Antonio and Galveston Express	9:00 am	6:01 pm
St. Charles, Sedalia, Fort Scott and Denison Express	8:20 pm	7:27 am

MOBILE & OHIO RAILROAD.

New Orleans and Mobile Express, daily	7:35 am	7:33 am
Memphis, Mobile and Florida Express, daily	7:25 pm	7:46 pm

ST. L., K. C. & COLORADO.

Union Accommodation, daily	4:20 pm	9:40 am

ST. LOUIS & HANNIBAL.

(Via Wabash Railroad.)

Mail and Express, except Sun.	8:00 am	11:30 am
Mail and Express, except Sun.	4:45 pm	6:10 pm

VANDALIA LINE.

New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington Special, [illegible] Special, daily	8:04 am	7:02 pm
Indianapolis and New York Local, daily	8:04 am	[illegible]
New York Limited, daily	[illegible]	[illegible]
Effingham Accom., daily	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cincinnati Day Express, daily	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cincinnati Night Express, daily	[illegible]	[illegible]
Indianapolis, New York and Washington Night Express, daily	[illegible]	7:00 am
Vandalia Accom., daily	[illegible]	[illegible]

WABASH LINE.

(Lines East of the Mississippi.)

Chicago Fast Express, daily	[illegible]	7:00 pm
Toledo, Detroit and New York, daily	7:00 am	[illegible]
Fast Express, ex. Sunday	8:15 pm	[illegible]
Decatur Accom., daily	[illegible]	[illegible]
Toledo, Detroit, New York and Boston Vestibuled Limited, daily	7:00 pm	[illegible]
Chicago, Toledo, Detroit, New York & Boston Fast Mail, daily	2:45 am	10:15 pm
New York, Boston, Chicago and Toledo Fast Mail, daily	[illegible]	[illegible]
Chicago Vestibuled Limited, daily	[illegible]	[illegible]
(Lines West of the Mississippi.)		
Kansas City Mail and Express, daily	[illegible]	[illegible]
Kansas City and Moberly Accommodation	[illegible]	[illegible]
Moberly, Kansas City, Denver, Omaha, Des Moines and St. Paul Express	[illegible]	7:30 am
Kansas City Limited	11:00 pm	[illegible]
Fast Mail	[illegible]	[illegible]

WHY THE A. P. A. SUSPENDED BUS.

FAVORED CATHOLICS IN NAMING SCHOOL BOARD COMMITTEES.

CASE OF MISS MAGUIRE.

A Catholic Principal Whom the A. P. A. Wanted Discharged Was Let Off With a Reprimand.

An opportunity will be afforded President Henry Bus of the School Board to formally state his defense to the charges under which he is now suffering suspension from the American Protection Association.

The State Jndiciary Board of the order meets just prior to the State Convention at Joplin, Mo., the first Monday in March. It will take up Mr. Bus' case.

Bus has steadfastly denied that he has been suspended from the American Protective Association. He no longer denied it when a Post-Dispatch reporter confronted him with a statement of the circumstances and causes for the disciplining he is undergoing.

The suspension was made by State President J. H. D. Stevens, and dates from the middle of last December.

Other School Directors who are members of the American Protective Association narrowly escaped with a warning.

About six weeks ago President Stevens summoned all of them, including Bus, to appear at his office, 613 Pine street, and state why they should not be expelled from the organization for violating their sworn obligations.

The ten members promptly answered the summons. They were directly charged by President Stevens with having violated the rules and obligations of the American Protective Association.

The principal specification was their action in the case of Miss Maguire, principal of the Ashland School. Early last fall, she dismissed her pupils on several occasions in order that those who were members of the Catholic church might attend certain special services. This was in violation of a rule of the School Board, and complaint was made to the Teachers Committee.

An effort was made to discharge Miss Maguire peremptorily, but it failed. Then it was proposed to reduce her from the rank of principal. This was also defeated. She was let off with a warning.

President Stevens insisted that the representatives of the American Protective Association in the Board should have forced the discharge of Miss Maguire. They defended themselves as best they could by explanations, and succeeded in escaping with what they had given Miss Maguire, a warning not to let it occur again.

All save President Bus. He was summarily suspended by President Stevens, subject to the action of the State Judiciary Board.

The reason for the more drastic action in the case of Bus was his course in making up the standing committees of the board. In order to hold his job as President, for which he needlessly resigned his salaried position as deputy sheriff early in the spring, Bus at the last reorganization made terms with the enemy.

In return for the support of John P. Collins he pledged him a position on the notorious Building Committee and also the Chairmanship of the Course of Study Committee, which is hardly less important. He also dickered with Alex Cudmore, pledging him a position on the Building Committee in return for his vote. He also retained Director John Sheahan on the Teachers Committee. Then he named John Brady as Chairman of the Committee on Rules.

The obligations taken by members of the American Protective Association include the solemn promise to oppose the election or appointment to public office of any kind of a member of the Catholic Church.

John P. Collins, John Sheahan and John Brady are members of the Catholic Church. Alex Cudmore is said to be a member of that church.

While it is not asserted positively that President Stevens of the American Protective Association accused Bus of having violated his sworn obligation, the severity of his sentence in comparison with the action in the other cases is explained by prominent members of the order by the implication that the appointment of these gentlemen was the cause of his suspension.

The State Judiciary Board, which will act upon the suspension, is composed of Geo. J. Hazlett, E. L. Briggs and J. R. Ern of St. Louis, and E. H. Allen and J. M. Katzmeyer of Kansas City.

Mr Bus told a Post-Dispatch reporter that he would not appear before the board. He was found at the Henry Ames School. It was stated at Sheriff Troll's office that he was still too ill to attend to his duties as Deputy Sheriff.

Mr. Bus had nothing to say about his suspension from the American Protective Association. He declined to answer the charges with which he had been confronted by President Stevens. Asked if he intended to appear before the Judiciary Board about the matter, he replied:

"No. I see no reason why I should."

Friends of Bus say he will probably change his mind before the board meets.

A prominent member of the order, who holds a city position, discussing the suspension of Bus, said:

"I have not been pleased with Mr. Bus' course as president of the School Board, and yet it may be that he has done the best he could under the circumstances."

CITY PRINTING ITS THEME.

Comptroller Sturgeon Has a Letter From Typographical Union No. 8.

Comptroller Isaac H. Sturgeon received a communication from Typographical Union No. 8 Thursday, signed by J. A. Jackson and J. J. Early, Printing Committee, suggesting amendments to the charter. It was accompanied by a copy of the present charter provisions for doing the city printing with the changes indicated

Newspapers bidding on city printing are required to have a daily circulation of 5,000 for three months prior to the letting. This is to prevent publishers from padding out their circulation, which, it is alleged, has been done at least twice in the last ten years.

The printing in the English paper shall be printed from clear Roman-face type and in the German paper in clear German-faced type.

This is to prevent publishers from evading the spirit of the law—to have English printed in English and German in German. It is alleged that proceedings have often been printed by a German paper from matrices obtained from an English paper through office courtesy.

Bidders are required to state whether they employ members of unions or if there is any grievance existing against them by any union. If union men are not employed, or there is a grievance, no bid shall be received from such bidder or bidders. The advertisement must specify the name and size of type and the width of the columns, the width to be stated in "em" measurement.

If any bidder fails to perform the contract it shall be forfeited by the Mayor. All job printing and binding must bear the imprint of the allied printing trades. All bills presented for payment for printing performed by newspapers doing the city printing must be accompanied by an affidavit that the work has been done in conformity with the advertisement calling for the bids. This is to make binding the provisions of the article and to be able to get a person arrested for perjury if he makes a false affidavit.

Comptroller Sturgeon said:

"The suggestions come too late to be embodied in the first draft of the charter amendment ordinance. It has already gone to the printer. It can, however, be amended in the Municipal Assembly, and I will advise the gentlemen to submit their suggestions to that body. We have, however, gone over a good deal of the ground covered by them. We have incorporated an eight-hour provision and other concessions to our union labor friends."

FRAMES A NEW PURE MEAT BILL.

STARKLOFF STRIKES A TELLING BLOW IN HIS FIGHT.

BIG FINES FOR OFFENDERS.

All Animals and Game Intended for Food to Be Inspected, Both Before and After Slaughter.

The submission of an anti-horse sausage ordinance is only the beginning of Health Commissioner M. C. Starkloff's fight on unwholesome meat.

He is now preparing an ordinance providing for the inspection of all live animals intended for human food, and for the inspection of all fresh, dried and salted meats, fish, game and poultry, regulating the sale of meat, etc.

The ordinance will authorize the appointment by the Commissioner, with the approval of the Board of Health, of a chief animal and meat inspector and three assistants. All of them will have to be versed in the diseases common to cattle, hogs, sheep and other animals, and two of the assistants will have to be practical butchers. They will perform their duties under the direction of the chief sanitary officer. The duties to be performed will be designated by the Commissioner.

It will be their duty to inspect, while alive, all cattle, sheep, hogs and calves intended to be slaughtered for food, and also when ordered all poultry, fresh, salted or dried meats, fish and game that shall be offered for sale. They will have authority to enter any place where live cattle may be kept. Any person who interferes with them in the discharge of their duties or refuses them permission to make inspections, or tries to conceal animals which should be inspected, will be subject to a fine of not less than $50, nor more than $500.

The Health Commissioner, with the approval of the Board of Health, will designate a sufficient number of inspection stations. On days and hours announced in the paper doing the city printing owners of animals intended for slaughter will have to present them at the stations for inspection, except in cases where the Commissioner, by a special order, may otherwise direct. The penalty for selling meat which was not inspected while living will be not less than $100, nor more than $500.

All animals found diseased must be killed at once by the owner. The inspector will then mutilate and mark the meat by carbolic acid or coal oil, rendering it unfit for food. A fine of from $50 to $500 will be inflicted for failure to observe these requirements.

Meats, game, poultry or fish found tainted or unwholesome will be mutilated in the same way, and put beyond doing harm. For offering for sale meat which was diseased when slaughtered, a fine of from $50 to $500 is provided.

Any person who kills for human food or offers for sale any calf less than fourteen days old may be fined from $25 to $100.

Dr. Starkloff had a bill introduced last May containing substantially the same provisions, but there was a section forbidding the meat of any bull, steer, cow, sheep, hog or calf, which had been slaughtered outside the city to be brought here and sold as food. This was in conflict with the Interstate Commerce law, and brought about the defeat of the bill. In the new bill this conflict will be avoided, but ample precaution will be taken to prevent the meat of diseased animals slaughtered outside the city being brought here and sold.

The new bill will be in line with criticisms and suggestions of the Post-Dispatch.

"The editorial in Tuesday's Post-Dispatch was right," said the doctor, Thursday. "People whose circumstances compel them to purchase cheap should be protected. Under the present ordinance this is impossible. We have only four inspectors to watch between 400 and 500 butcher shops. It is very easy for unwholesome or diseased meat to be hidden away when the inspector calls and brought out after he is gone.

"There was a defect in the bill introduced at my request last May, but I believe the one I shall now present will go through."

INSISTS ON AN EXTRA BOND.

The City and the Western Union Are Likely to Clash.

It is probable that City Counselor Marshall will have a chance to argue in court his contention that the Keyes conduit ordinance requires all wire-using companies to file two $20,000 bonds.

At the conference with legal representatives of the companies, a month ago, Mr. Marshall told them that, as he construed the ordinance, it required each company to give a bond for carying on a telegraph and telephone business and another for a light, heat and power business.

The attorneys demurred, but most of them said rather than have any trouble about it, they would furnish the extra bond. The Western Union Telegraph Co. has not done so. Its attorneys insist that the company is not in the light, heat and power business, and therefore cannot be required to give a bond for such a business. Mr. Marshall says whether or not it was so intended, the ordinance requires that very thing.

If the company does not surrender in a few days, Mr. Marshall will advise the Board of Public Improvements that it has not qualified as an applicant for subway space. The board will refuse to issue a permit. That will leave the company in an embarrassing fix. It will have to take its wires off of the poles and will have no place else to put them. Then the lawing will begin.

Busy Bee Bargain Day To-Morrow.

New England Butter Taffy, 10c a pound.

Daylight Robbers.

Burglars looted the residence of Frank Bauer, a butcher, 1636 North Nineteenth street, Wednesday afternoon. The members of the family were away, and the robbers went through the place most thoroughly. They got nothing but wearing apparel.

M'KINLEY AND HIS CABINET.

THERE'S NO PLACE IN IT FOR A MISSOURI MAN.

HE SAID SO VERY FRANKLY.

Outlined in a General Way His Intentions to Major William H. Warner's Friends.

Maj. William H. Warner of Kansas City will not be selected Secretary of the Interior in President McKinley's Cabinet. Neither will Maj. Warner be given any other Cabinet position. That fact is established by a frank interview with a party of visiting Missourians had with the Canton Major.

Mayor Walbridge and Col. D. P. Dyer of this city and Mayor P. D. Hastain of Sedalia and Gardiner Lathrop, a prominent attorney and Republican Silk Stocking of Kansas City, composed the party of Missourians which went to Canton, O., to visit Maj. McKinley and press the claims of Maj. Warner for the position of Secretary of the Interior. They have just returned. While they were received kindly, and return well pleased with the trip, they were given to understand that Maj. Warner would not be appointed.

"President McKinley is a frank, sincere man, and he does not use language to deceive any one," said Col. Dyer to a Post-Dispatch man. "Maj. McKinley is as plain and approachable as was Lincoln, and he uses no guile. Therefore, we came away knowing just how we stand.

"Mr. Lathrop, who is a life-long friend and fellow-townsman of Maj. Warner, was the spokesman for the party. He placed the claims of Maj. Warner before the President-elect by telling how the Major had served as Commander-in-Chief of the Grand Army of the Republic and was now indorsed by a large contingent of old soldiers; how he was indorsed by the Republicans of Texas and Oklahoma and a part of Iowa, Indiana and Illinois, and told of his standing in Missouri, and of his knowledge by experience with the Western States. There was nothing said about the factional fight in the party in Missouri—no dirty linen was washed.

"After Mr. Lathrop had concluded, Maj. McKinley had some interesting things to say in regard to Cabinet selections. He said that in his original cast of a Cabinet he had not thought of going to Missouri for a man; that he had taken care of the West pretty well already. He spoke of how California and Oregon had stood up for the Republican party in the last campaign, and remarked that the Pacific Slope had not been given a Cabinet position for many years. Maj. McKinley spoke very kindly of Maj. Warner, however, and said he knew him well, the two having served together in Congress.

"In the course of conversation, with all of us taking a hand, Maj. McKinley said that he had decided to go South for one Cabinet officer—to Maryland, West Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee or even Georgia. He spoke of Nathan Goff of West Virginia, and said that owing to Mrs. Goff's failing health the physicians had advised her not to go to Washington, and therefore Mr. Goff might not enter the Cabinet.

"Maj. McKinley said Maryland had come to the front bravely for the Republican party, and in this connection passed some high compliments on ex-Congressman McComas, of that state.

"He also said one Cabinet position would go either to New York or Pennsylvania.

"In all this conversation the President-elect did not mention the name of a single Cabinet office. But drawing conclusions myself, I think he meant that the Postmaster-General would be taken from either New York or Pennsylvania. If Nathan Goff does not accept the office of Attorney General, perhaps Maryland will be recognized, and it is significant that he passed compliments on ex-Congressman McComas.

"As to the Secretary of the Interior, I should judge that California should get it in the person of Joseph McKenna. But, mind you, the President-elect mentioned no man for any place.

"We did not ask that Major Warner be given any place outside of the Cabinet. We simply pressed his claims for the office of Secretary of the Interior. We said that we had increased the Republican vote of Missouri from 225,000 to 300,000—a gain of 75,000—but that the combination of Pops, Democrats and Silver Republicans was too much for us. We did not discuss Federal patronage for Missouri."

Mayor Walbridge had nothing to say, except that the visit was exceedingly pleasant; that after the business was transacted Maj. McKinley insisted that the party remain for a social visit, and they passed an hour chatting in a social way.

While the party was in Canton it met "Billy" Mason of Chicago, the United States Senator-elect, and was entertained by his inimitable stories.

WARRANT FOR ROLLINS.

He Is Charged With Attempting to Corrupt a Witness.

Prosecuting Attorney Mulvihill says that he will issue a warrant Thursday afternoon against Attorney James M. Rollins on the charge of attempting to corrupt a witness. The statute provides a penitentiary sentence.

The action arises out of Philip Deuker's refusal to testify against Louis England in Judge Murphy's court. James M. Rollins and Joseph Furling were England's attorneys. Deuker claims that Furling told him not to testify, as England's mother had returned him part of the stolen goods.

Just the same the warrant was issued against Rollins. Mr. Mulvihill says he has investigated.

GRAND-JURY SPURRED ON.

Judge Zachritz Talks Plainly About the Straw Bondsmen.

Judge Zachritz again called the attention of the Grand-jury to straw bondsmen Thursday, and charged it to take up its investigation on that score immediately and return indictments against the offenders.

The Grand-jury Thursday returned indictments against William Jackson and John Perry, charged with grand larceny; Charles Becker, charged with fraud; William Reilly, assault to kill, made upon Hugh McCarty of 3858 Texas avenue.

Indictments against the following were ignored: Silas Bowman, John Huffmeister, Rolly Hamilton, and William McGee, charged with burglary and larceny, and William Gardner, charged with assault to kill.

BULLET IN HIS SIDE.

Harold Clarke Pointed a Supposedly Empty Revolver at Fred Sticker.

Harold Clark and Fred Sticker, aged 13 and 14, living at Jennings Station, played with a 32-caliber Smith & Wesson revolver Wednesday evening.

They didn't know it was loaded. Clark held it pointed in the direction of Sticker and pulled the trigger to see if it would work. It worked and the ball struck Sticker in the left side. His father took him to the North End Dispensary, where Dr. Randall dressed the wound. It is not serious.

ON AN OLD EXECUTION.

Harry Wallace Came Back to Town and Goes to the Work-House.

Harry Wallace, alias W. W. Hardin, was sent to the Work House Thursday to serve out an old execution of $200. He was arrested at Sixth and Spruce streets by Patrolman Noonan on Dec. 9. Late that night he was following a drunken man about the street, and when the officer searched him a dangerous sand-bag was found suspended from the belt of his trousers. He was fined for carrying concealed weapons, and the fine was stayed a few hours to give him a chance to leave town. He went, but came back a few days ago.

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OFFICER HARRY DORSEY WINS A SIGNIFICANT LAW SUIT.

IT AFFECTS WORK ON STREETS.

Private Contracts for Improvement Declared to Be Invalid and Therefore the Expense Is Dodged.

Harry Dorsey, a policeman, who owns his residence in Gibson Heights, along with Redmond Cleary and other prominent citizens, has succeeded in invalidating a system of street improvement that has been in vogue for years.

Whenever the residents of subdivisions similar to Gibson Heights have failed to induce the city to reconstruct their thoroughfares, it has been customary to have the work done by private contract, the property-owners paying for it, according to the number of front feet they owned.

A few months ago Redmond Cleary and other citizens living in Park avenue, near King's highway, petitioned the Board of Public Improvements to reconstruct Park avenue, in Gibson Heights, with Telford paving. The board refused them. Then they circulated a subscription list among the property-owners to have the work done by the property-owners, at their own expense.

Dorsey signed the document and sufficient signatures were secured to warrant letting the contract. It was stipulated that the work was to be done under the supervision of the Pitzman Surveying Co., subject to the approval of the Street Commissioner.

About the time the work was done the Street Commissioner decided he would approve no more work of that kind because he had no authority to do so, and his official approval rendered the city liable for repairs on the street.

Dorsey's share of the expense was $300. When he was asked to pay he promised to comply at a future date, being pressed for funds at the time. Afterward he refused to pay, insisting that the work was faulty. The bill against him was assigned to Otto Schmitz, who sued Dorsey in Justice R. B. Haughton's court through Lawyer Wislizenus. Lawyer W. H. O'Brien represented Dorsey at the trial and set up the defense that the work had not been approved by the Street Commissioner, and that it was done in violation of law.

Mr. O'Brien argued that the law required all street improvements to be made under ordinance drawn up by the Board of Public Improvements, after a public hearing on the proposed work, and recommended to the Municipal Assembly for passage. This being the case, streets could not be legally improved in any other way. The private contract for the improvement of Park avenue was accordingly invalid.

Judge Haughton sustained O'Brien's contention. He rendered judgment in favor of Dorsey Wednesday afternoon. Notice of appeal was filed at once by Lawyer Wislizenus.

If the decision is sustained by the higher court it will put a stop to private contracts for street improvements on account of the uncertainty of collecting for the work. A large number of similar suits will probably be instituted, as this class of work has become quite general.

CARPENTER'S FINANCES.

Were Not So Bad as to Drive Him to Suicide.

The motive that prompted John E. Carpenter to suicide remains a mystery. His immediate financial condition was not such as would ordinarily drive a man to take his life. Relatives and friends who know the limit to his means vouch for this, but advance the theory that despondency resulting from brooding over his reduced circumstances temporarily deranged his mind.

At one time he was a wealthy man, but a succession of reverses swept the greater part of his money away.

His immediate relatives in this city are his son, A. W. Carpenter, 31 South Ninth street, and two brothers, Thomas Carpenter, Chief Engineer at the City High School, and George W. Carpenter, a machinist.

On Friday afternoon, the day preceding his disappearance, he called on his son and his wife. He chatted pleasantly with them, and neither noticed anything unusual in his manner. When he took his leave he promised an early return visit.

Engineer Carpenter at the High School had not seen his brother for some time. At the last interview, a few weeks ago, Mr. Carpenter was in his usual cheery mood and anticipated a revival in business soon.

Mrs. Carpenter would not discuss her husband's disappearance further.

"I have told you all I know or think about it, so there is no use questioning me," she said. "I have offered a reward for the body and placed the whole matter in the hands of the police. They assure me they are doing everything in their power."

She was much annoyed at the reports of her husband's business affairs, and says they have been grossly exaggerated.

Searching parties are on the river looking for the body.

Coughs.—"Brown's Bronchial Troches" allay the irritation and stop the cough. Sold only in boxes.

To Remove an Administrator.

Mrs. Elizabeth W. Brown has filed a petition for the removal of Edward W. Rannells, administrator of the estate of her mother, Mrs. Mary Warder Rannells.

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SCHOOL BOARD IS FIRM.

Will Not Alter Its Rule Regarding Teachers' Apprenticeships.

Alas for the High School girls! Their search for justice promises to be as fruitless as that of Diogenes for an honest man. The School Board will listen to nothing from them in regard to their postponed apprenticeship as teachers in the public schools and the fifty-one young ladies will be old maids if they wait for the board to alter its determination.

So spoke Supt. Soldan Wednesday, although a trifle more tersely.

"The board will do nothing in this matter," said Prof. Soldan. "At least I do not believe it will. Of course I do not know the thoughts of the Directors."

This announcement was made after Prof. Soldan was asked whether the young ladies had visited him again.

"Are they coming back?" he asked in dismay, as he hastily picked up his coat and hat. He quieted down when assured that there was no ground for immediate alarm and made his declaration that nothing would be done by the board.

"Of course if it is shown that the new rule is a hardship in specific cases," he explained, "the board will make provision for those cases. The rule, however, is a good one and probably will not be altered.

HE THINKS ACTORS ARE OVERWORKED.

THE REV. DR. SARGENT DECLARES FOR A DAY OF REST.

NO SUNDAY PERFORMANCES.

St. Louis Clergymen Will Act With the Ministers of Kansas City to That End.

The Protestant clergymen of St. Louis will assist the Ministers' Alliance of Kansas City in its fight before the Legislature against Sunday theatrical performances.

It was the intention of the Kansas City ministers to have the Sunday base ball bill amended to include Sunday theaters, but the measure has gone beyond amendment and the request has been made on Representative Clark of Kansas City to prepare and introduce a separate bill.

The Rev. Dr. Clarence S. Sargent, president of the Evangelical Alliance, is greatly interested in the matter and will lay it before the city ministers at the earliest possible moment. The regular meeting of the Alliance will not be held until the last Monday in the month, but a special meeting will be called as soon as the bill has been fully prepared and its exact provisions known. A request for a copy has been forwarded to its author.

"We have not been asked to act with the Kansas City gentlemen," said Dr. Sargent, "but it is a matter of importance to every Christian, so we feel at perfect liberty to move independently and without a formal request from our brethren. I shall confer with the Executive Board of the Alliance at once, and if it is deemed necessary I shall call a special meeting. Whether this is done or not the advocates of the bill will have the co-operation of the St. Louis ministry.

"I am a Christian man, but I do not look at the question solely from that standpoint. It has a worldly, common-sense side that commends it to all thinking men. The body needs a rest from the demands of every-day life, as well as the soul. Every man and woman should be given one day of rest out of the seven. Our constitutions demand it. The number of mental workers driven to insanity these days is greatly the outcome of uninterrupted labor week after week, year in and year out.

"Actors and actresses, in my judgment, would hail as a boon the passage of such a law. Look how they work. They are under a tremendous strain all the time. If they are not on the stage they are undergoing the fatigues of a journey, and when this is over it is a rush to the afternoon or evening's performance. It is small wonder they age prematurely, and that many lose their mental facilities entirely.

"When we remember there are 17,000 people in this country employed in the amusement line, some legislation for their benefit seems most pressing.

"So far as the Sunday theater going public is concerned I do not think they are benefited by attending. The performances given on Sunday are usually of a lower order, I think, and one can hardly learn anything by seeing them. I have not had an opportunity to examine closely the class of Sunday shows, but it is my judgment that they are not particularly elevating.

"The religious view is, of course, favorable for the adoption of such a measure, but I think objections sufficient to successfully appeal to the intelligence of the Assembly can be found without the pale of the church."

Busy Bee Bargain Day To-Morrow.

New England Butter Taffy, 10c a pound.

FARM HOME FOR CHILDREN.

Organization of the New Society Is Now Completed.

The organization of the Children's Industrial Farm Home Society has been completed by the election of business men of such high character to the offices, as to leave little doubt that its purpose will be fully achieved. John Ringen of the Ringen Stove Co. is President and Geo. A. Roth of the Adam Roth Grocery Co., Treasurer. C. H. English has been selected as Superintendent.

The purpose of the society is to furnish a farm home for city children who either have no parents or whose parents are too poor or too dissolute to care for them. The children will be taught how to farm and, in addition to the healthful mental and physical environment which will be theirs when they grow up, they will be thorough-going farmers, able to earn their own living.

The next step of the society is to get hold of a farm somewhere near St. Louis. Those interested hope that some one may donate a tract of ground to them, but if this is not done money will be contributed and a large farm purchased.

Some of the most prominent business men in the city are interested in the movement, which they consider a most practical charity. It is entirely non-sectarian.

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UNDERWRITERS WANT TO MOVE.

CALLED MEETING TO CONSIDER VACATING THIRD STREET.

OFFICES ARE TOO DARK.

Thirty Agents Want to Move West and Five Are Anxious to Remain.

There is every indication that the district where insurance agents most do congregate will be deserted shortly.

Negotiations are on which, if consummated, will lead to the removal of most of the insurance offices in what is now known as "Insurance Row."

The "row" extends along Third street, from Locust to Chestnut, and up and down the cross streets for half a block.

According to information gained along the street Thursday morning by a Post-Dispatch reporter thirty of the agents desire to move and five are opposed to the step.

Of the thirty who will move if favorable quarters can be secured six have offices in the Merchants' Exchange Building.

At a special called meeting Wednesday a majority of the agents along the street considered propositions submitted by the proprietors of a number of office buildings further up town.

A committee of seven was appointed to look into the propositions submitted and report at a meeting to be held at an early date.

The committee consists of H. M. Blossom, F. D. Hirschberg, Sam Capen, George D. Markham, Frank C. Case, Moses Fraley and W. D. Hemmenway.

Of this committee H. M. Blossom, Frank C. Case, Moses Fraley and W. D. Hemmenway are known to be in favor of moving to a location further west.

Messrs. Capen and Markham have not expressed themselves. F. D. Hirschberg is personally averse to moving, but is willing to abide by the decision of a majority of the agents along the street.

The advocates of removal are therefore in the majority on the committee.

F. D. Hirschberg said Thursday: "This movement to get further West is a strong one. Though I am opposed to it it must be admitted that in all probability the move will be made.

"The buildings along the street have been allowed to run down until they are unfit for business. Most of the offices are dark and cramped and inconvenient.

"There is no use in denying that if a majority of the agents move the others will have to do so or suffer the loss of most of their business.

"The agents in the Merchants' Exchange building here would be masters of the situation if they acted together. There is where the hitch comes in. A number of the largest firms in the building are anxious to move. If they go I and the rest will have to follow. The majority of the agents present at yesterday's meeting were in favor of moving."

The proprietors of the Century Building have offered to assume the leases of all the agents if they will remove to the building.

The removal of forty or more agents will be a severe blow to property interests on the street. It would mean as well the vacating of nearly every office on the lower floor and in the basement of the Merchants' Exchange.

HEARD BURGLARS WORKING.

Mr. Slathery of South Grand Avenue Saves His Goods.

Two men attempted to force an entrance into the residence of John Slathery at 4405 South Grand avenue at 3 o'clock Thursday morning.

Mr. Slathery was awakened by the noise. He arose and stealthily raised a window. He saw the men at his front door. Slathery called to the men to surrender, and at the same time fired at them. They jumped and ran, and Mr. Slathery again fired, but without effect.

Patrolmen Sigren and Stone heard the shots and hastened to the scene. Ten minutes later they arrested William Kerrins, who answered the description given by Slathery of one of the men. He was locked up at the Second District Station.

MITCHELL INSURANCE SUIT.

United States Court Affirms a Former Verdict Against the Company.

The United States Court of Appeals has just rendered a decision of peculiar interest to many St. Louisans, as A. G. Mitchell, whose death precipitated the suit, was well known in the city.

A. G. Mitchell was a resident of Memphis, Tenn. In the latter part of November he was here closing up the affairs of a shoe firm. Before starting for home he took out $63,000 accident insurance, distributed among seven companies. When his train was within a mile of Memphis, Mitchell stepped out on a rear platform and fell to the ground. His head struck one of the rails and he died of concussion of the brain.

The large amount of insurance Mitchell carried and the circumstances of his death, which occurred so soon after taking out the policies, caused the insurance companies to contest payment. After one mistrial the beneficiaries of the policies obtained a judgment for the full amount, but the companies carried the case to the United States Court of Appeals. That court has just affirmed the decision of the lower court. The beneficiaries of the policies are Mitchell's sister, Mrs. A. E. Chiles, and her daughter, Miss Henri Chiles.

SHOWED HIS WIFE HOW.

Demonstrations of His Prowess Got John H. Stull in Trouble.

John H. Stull got drunk Wednesday afternoon, and when he went to his home at Eighteenth and Arsenal streets he threw his wife to the floor, walked on her face, cut some curls out of her hair and bent a few of her ribs in.

He was tossing her about the room like a bean bag when his wife's sister went for a policeman. While awaiting the arrival of the officer Stull demonstrated a few new tactics and tackle holds in Rugby foot ball. He pulled her hair, dropped to the floor with her, and, although she repeatedly admitted that she was "down," he kept it up. Stull was in Police Court Thursday morning. Mrs. Stull was represented by proxy.

Judge Peabody delivered his celebrated lecture on wife-beaters and then fined Stull $50 and gave him until 9 p. m. to leave the city.

SWALLOWED HIS FALSE TOOTH.

Hungry Carl Miller Spent a Night of Agony.

Carl Miller is a big, husky brewer with an able-bodied appetite. It was keenly whetted when he reached home, 12 North Seventh street, Wednesday evening. His onslaught on the victuals was so fierce that he broke off one of his false teeth. It slipped down and lodged near the Adam's apple.

He came to the City Dispensary in great pain Thursday morning. Dr. Thompson does not pose as a dentist, but he got his forceps and extracted the tooth without pain.

Busy Bee Bargain Day To-Morrow.

New England Butter Taffy, 10c a pound.

Married at Pine Bluff.

David Stahl of St. Louis and Miss Fay Mehlinger of Pine Bluff, Ark., were married at Pine Bluff Wednesday night, Rev. F. Becker officiating.

The best cure for colds and affections of the breathing organs is Parker's Ginger Tonic. Parker's Hair Balsam never fails to please.

That Plea Racket Again.

John Kunz entered a plea of guilty in Judge Withrow's Court Thursday morning to the charge of burglary and larceny and was given a two years' penitentiary sentence. He was indicted under the habitual criminal act, having already served two penitentiary sentences. Kunz burglarized the store of Edward B. Tyler, at 18 South Ninth street, July 5.

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